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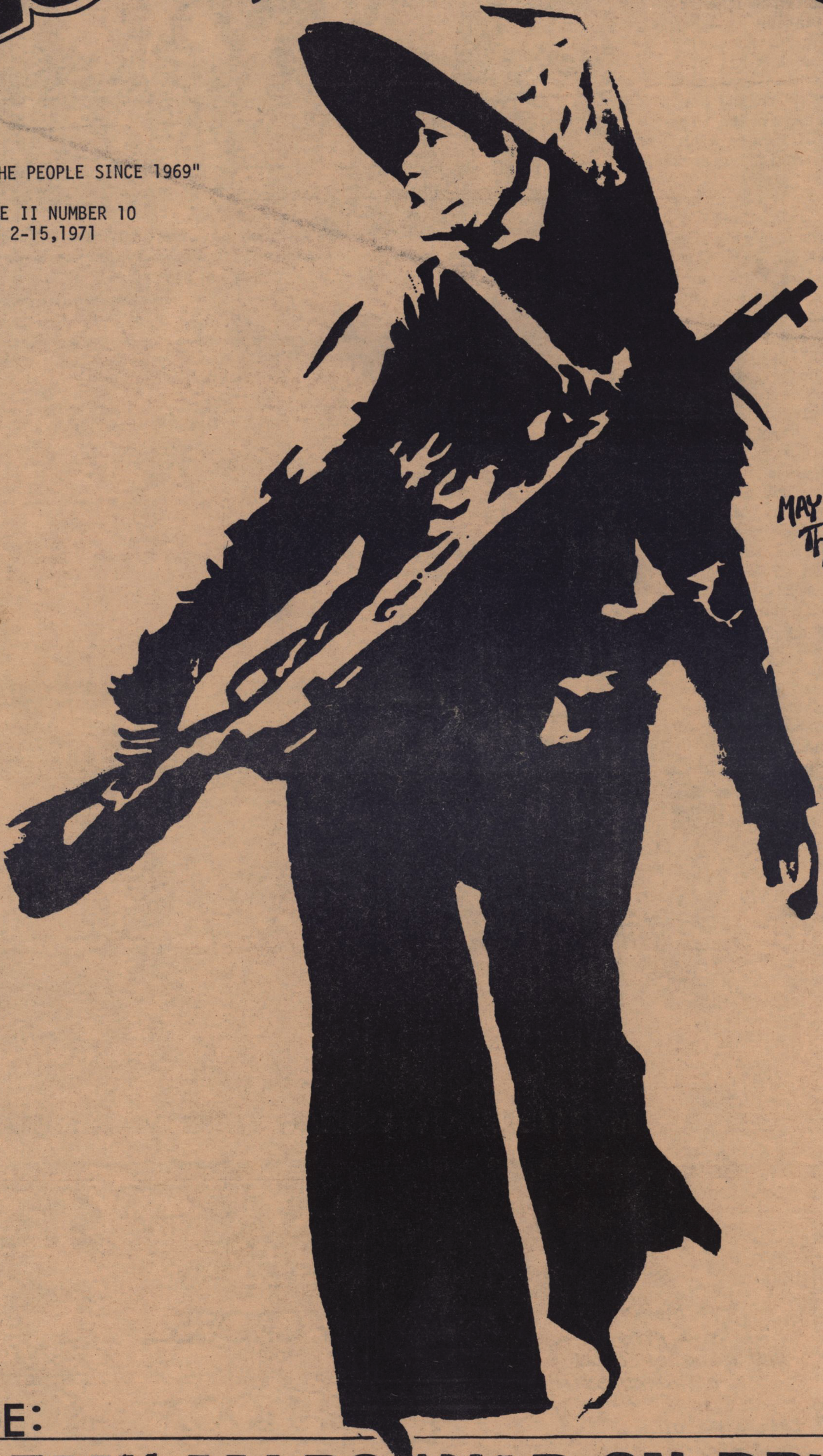


MAY DAY FOR
The Vietnamese

INSIDE:

EMU MAPS WAR ON DRUGS
8 PAGE WOMENS' SUPPLEMENT

The People Are At Peace

It is clear that Nixon is not going to end the war in Southeast Asia. His Vietnamization is a rouse. While he talks about "withdrawal" he expands the war across all of Southeast Asia. He has increased the bombing in both North and South Vietnam. He is attempting to wipe-out an entire race of people with his policy of technological genocide and mass murder.

Nixon is also toying in a most dangerous game. He is tightening a noose around China. Both North Vietnam and Laos lie on China's borders and by invading the countries we are endangering China's national security. China can restrain herself only so long. Amerikans must rise up and gain control of their government before the rest of the world is forced to control Amerika for us. If the people of Germany had stopped Hitler, there would not have been a 2nd World War.

The Amerikan people and the Vietnamese people are not enemies. The People's Peace Treaty is a written declaration of peace that solidifies this spirit of friendship-and can be utilized as an effective way of proclaiming this solidarity. 73% of the Amerikan people have already made it known that they support an immediate and total withdrawal by the end of this year. The People's Peace Treaty is based on this very idea and states terms by which that withdrawal can come about.

Ratification and implementation of the Treaty is essential in assuring its effectiveness. The voice of the people can and must be heard in order to put an end to this and every other war now. Students have begun circulation of the Treaty in dorms, apartments, and on the streets in order to gain not only ratification of the Treaty, but commitments to IMPLEMENT the Treaty to its fullest extent.

Much is being done in Ypsilanti and on the EMU campus itself to gain support of community organizations, clubs, students and citizens of Ypsi, but the scope is vast and help is needed.

The people listed below have already begun circulation of the Treaty and discussing ways of implementing it. Please contact them for further information or interest in circulation.

Debbie-487-0682]Jones
Diane-487-0621
Cathy-487-2862]Downing
Cheryl-487-2858
Henry-483-0647
Pete-483-3594

PEOPLE'S PEACE TREATY

A JOINT TREATY OF PEACE
BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, SOUTH VIET NAM, AND NORTH VIET NAM

Be it known that the American and Viet Namese people are not enemies. The war is carried out in the names of the people of the United States and South Viet Nam but without our consent. It destroys the land and people of Viet Nam. It drains America of its resources, its youth and its honor.

We hereby agree to end the war on the following terms, so that both peoples can live under the joy of independence and can devote themselves to building a society based on human equality and respect for the earth. In rejecting the war we also reject all forms of racism and discrimination against people based on color, class, sex, national origin and ethnic grouping which form the basis of the war policies, present and past, of the United States.

1. **The Americans agree to total withdrawal from Viet Nam, and publicly to set the date by which all U.S. military forces will be removed.**
   2. The Viet Namese pledge that as soon as the U.S. government publicly sets a date for total withdrawal, they will enter discussions to secure the release of all American prisoners, including pilots captured while bombing North Viet Nam;
   3. There will be an immediate cease-fire between U.S. forces and those led by the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Viet Nam;
   4. They will enter discussions on the procedures to guarantee the safety of all withdrawing troops.

5. **The Americans pledge to end the imposition of Thieu, Ky and Khiem on the people of South Viet Nam in order to insure their right to self-determination, and so that all political prisoners can be released.**
   6. The Viet Namese pledge to form a provisional coalition government to organize democratic elections. All parties agree to respect the results of the elections in which all South Viet Namese can participate freely without the presence of any foreign troops.
   7. The South Viet Namese pledge to enter discussion of procedures to guarantee the safety and political freedom of those South Viet Namese who have collaborated with the U.S. or with the U.S.-supported regime.
   8. The Americans and Viet Namese agree to respect the independence, peace and neutrality of Laos and Cambodia in accord with the 1954 and 1962 Geneva conventions, and not to interfere in the internal affairs of these two countries.

9. **Upon these points of agreement, we pledge to end the war and resolve all other questions in the spirit of self-determination and mutual respect for the independence and political freedom of the people of Viet Nam and the United States.**

By ratifying this agreement, we pledge to take whatever actions are appropriate to implement the terms of this Joint Treaty of Peace, and to insure its acceptance by the government of the United States.

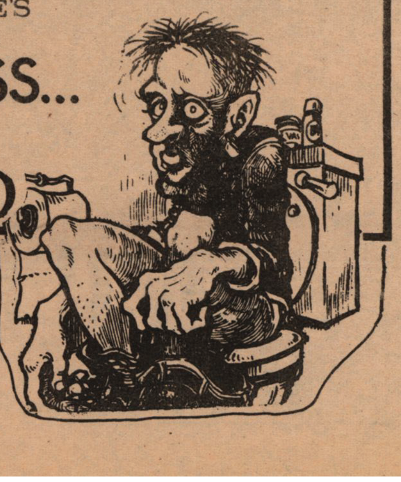
BROWN HALL REC ROOM   TUES. MARCH 2 7:30 pm
--to discuss the Treaty and activity on the--
campus and in the community

peoples' peace treaty meeting

Shift, Salute #1

Burst through your
back, screen door
America...
it is broken.
Like a period
you have become
an army-barrack
dwelling...
just this side of
the hill, where the
war goes on,
you barricade
the scars,
of all, your wounded
death he-roes...
and all, your wounded
worlds...

-Leo Papa-



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KALAMAZOO

WITCH HUNT...

On Wednesday, February 18, a March from three different places in the city to the County Court building and jail was attacked by the local police. The march and rally was organized by a coalition of three groups -- the Brown Berets, a Chicano group, the United Front, a community group, and Serve the People, a student group -- to protest conditions in the county jail (described as worse than thw Wayne County Jail) and the U.S. government invasion of Laos. Permits for the march were issued. The march converged on a park from a high school, the campus and the Chicano community.

The three groups had been workimg closely together in organizing their communities aeound the county jail and other local issues and confronting the county commissioners. Then the invasion of Laos added to peoples' sense of urgency and anger. The demonstration ended up in front of the Cpunty building and a few snowballs were thrown, breaking a few windows. The pigs at first were content to let this happen as they were busy protecting the businesses that run the town and control the pigs. Suddenly the pigs attacked the crowd in groups of five and six, visibly displaying their racism by singling out members of the Brown Berets and beating them to the ground and arresting them. They ran into the crowd and six or seven pigs were beating one brother to the ground with their nightsticks. People began to split and the pigs ran after some people. They passed by almost everyone unless they were wearing a brown beret. Three berets of the same family were arrested along with another beret. There were only eight arrests and four of them were berets. There were only about ten berets in the crowd of over 300.

The scary thing about what's coming down in Kalamazoo is the respons4 to the city and county officials. On Thursday county officials spread the rumor that Black Panthers from Chicago and Detroitm were coming to Kazoo and arming all the radicals on the way. The city was in a panic with hundreds of civil defense marshalls were called up to protect the city.

After panicking the local people with these rumors. The three Judges of Kazoo redirected a recently impannelled 17 man county GRAND JURY (GJ) to investigate the illegal activities of Wednesday's demonstration. The GJ was originally impanelled to look into drug traffic in the county but never started on that. Sixty supeonas quickly were issued. The GJ IS still supeonaing people and as of last Sunday indictments have been handed down for rioting, inciting to riot, and conspiracy.

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The GJ inquisition [illegible] because it has been used [illegible] is clearly assigned to be a tool to smash whatever movement people have mustered up against m an oppressive government. Unlike other court trials, a [illegible] GJ abides by NO constitutional guarentees. Alawyer cannot be present while you are testifying although you MAY BE ALLOWED to consult witha lawyer after each question outside the hearing room, but ONLY IF the GJ [illegible] lets you. The Fifth Amdndment can help. Just say, "Irefuse to answer that question and invoke my priviledge against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment, in that the answer may incriminate or tend to imcriminate or degrade me".

The government may feel that your testimony is so important that they willl grant you immunity. Immunity means that the testimony you give gibe cannot be used against you, but it does not mean that you can't be prosecuted. All it means is tha t evidence used against you can't include your testimony. Once granted immunity you must answer the questions. If you don't answer, you will be held in contempt of court and thrown in jail either for the lenghh of the Grand Jury session(possibly two years), or until you answer the question or for a secific length term, depending on the contempt.

What the GJ forces us to do is make a decision about our lives and commitment to our brothers and sisters. Before you enter the GJ room you must decide if you will testify which most likely sends sisters or brothers up the river for many years or refuse and prepare for jail.

The Kazoo people have set up a Joint Legal Defense Committee to challange the legitimacy(i.e. constitutionality) of the GJ, get laywers, bail people out of jail, raise money etc... It is essential to relate to the repression that is coming down on our people in Kazoo for it affects us in many ways. They need any support we can give them such as: 1-send money to the legal defense committee(the address is---Tom Saywers Book Raft 26-24 W. Michigan Kalamazoo,Mich.) 2-set up speaking engagements because they want to come and rap to give Kazoo some of the profits and put some of it into reviving our own Legal Self-Defense fund.

For ypsi prepatationfor the real possiblity of a Grand Jury in this county is necessary. It may be a good idea to get in touch with Ann Arbor legal defense and coordinate our efforts because the GJ will affect us both. There is a definite need to set up an office with equipment, full time workers, establishing contact with laywers(preferably withGJ experience), funds (like a bank account so it won't get ripped off), etc... There is a basic thing of getting out informationand understanding of w whtt Grand Juries are all about.

keep looding for more street sheets about the technicalities of Grand Juries and the repression as it comes down on our brothers and sisters in Kazoo.

ADMINISTRATION FREAKS OUT OVER DRUGS

By RICHARD WATSON and the
KRAZED KULPRIT

The EMU Administration has "mapped out a war on drugs" since February 18. Amidst much confusion they have decided that dope is a criminal problem, contrary to what administrative officials around the country are finding--that dope is not a criminal problem.

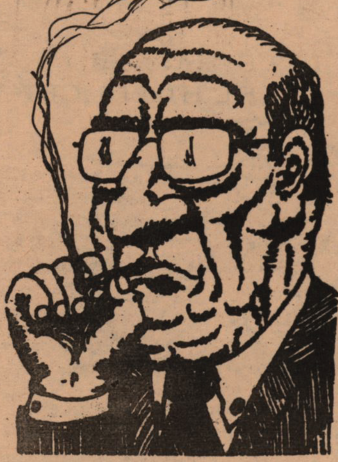
It seems that Vice-President Campbell, while Old Weird Harold was out of town, decided that crime and dope were synonymous. This was supposedly because some junkies were robbing people in the dorms recently to support their habits. So Campbell suddenly announced that the University would try to rid itself of the robbery problem by kicking alleged student dope dealers out of school by using the student judicial system. When the use of drugs started to increase about three years ago, O. W. and his lackeys devised rules prohibiting the use and sale of drugs on campus, but they have rarely made any attempts to enforce the rules because of widespread use. Just the same as other schools haven't.

The only recent drug scare at Eastern came last January, when then-Dean of Students Aceto decided to play "law and order" with a list of "known drug users" which the RA's had compiled. You were a "known drug user" in some cases if you had posters on your wall.

Under Campbell's new plan as first announced, University officials along with campus pigs would search rooms without warrants of students who were "reasonably" suspected of selling dope to other students. He said the raids would only be used against dealers, but already busts have occurred in Phelps Hall, where students were suspected of smoking dope by their RA. Under his plan, Campbell would turn over the suspected dealers to the University Judicial Board--the old Student Court--rather than the police.

The pigs, on the other hand, disputed Campbell's new policy and Sheriff Harvey ordered the campus pigs, who are deputized Washtenaw County Sheriffs, to turn all the information they got from the searches over to the prosecutor for action. This would result in students' not only being kicked out of school but also being persecuted in the pig courts. Because of the pig uproar, last week Campbell decided not to use the campus police in the searches at all.

The University in its weirdness under Campbell was trying to be "lenient" by not turning students over to the pigs. In reality, drug arrests usually result in a couple of hundred dollars in fines and perhaps some probation. Almost no one goes to jail at all in this county for dope.



But kicking someone out of school under the University's bust plan permanently ends many career chances. This is a more severe, long-lasting punishment, and students have no safeguards or rights to speak of before judicial boards.

Then signals were changed again, when Sponberg got back to town. He issued a statement that the pigs might be involved after all, at later stages if not during the actual searches: "The University can and will include discipline procedures under the Vice President for Student Affairs [Campbell]. If evidence warrants, police may arrest and prosecution may be pursued under criminal statutes." He also issued a statement over EMU's news number, 487-2460, that "University offices are willing to cooperate and work with any party that is willing to control social ills," whatever that means.

So we really don't know what will happen next. Maybe the Administration is so confused that it will do nothing. Or it could try to arrest the 80% of the student body which smokes dope. If they do get it together to make their raids, we should all be prepared.

Legality

No one knows for sure if the University has the right to make room and possessions searches on "suspicion" alone if no police are involved. Particularly since the searches which would be made would be more or less random due to the Administration's impotent spy system. Probably they can't do legally what they want to, but it's going to be a fight proving it to someone who will listen--the people who thought this thing up could care less about our rights. Not to mention common decency.

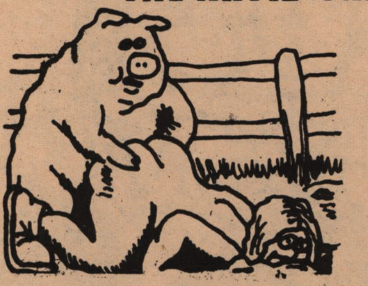
Action

Students can try to get the University Judicial Board to listen to their arguments concerning illegally seized evidence if busts occur, but the Administration can overrule their decision. So if the University decides to kick down doors and make arrests they will probably get away with it unless students take action against the repression.

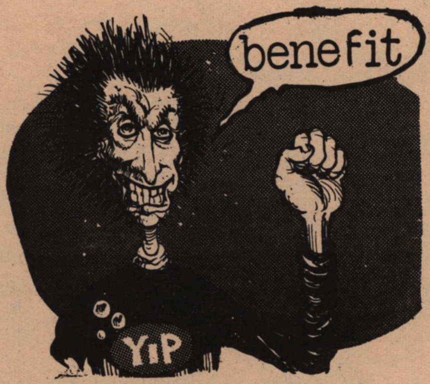
Anyway, everyone should keep it cool. It might be agood idea to find a new stash which is in public access, so that if they do find it they can't pin it on anyone. Students might also voice their opinions by giving President Sponberg (487-2211) or Vice-President Campbell (487-23[illegible]) a call and letting them know how insane they [illegible]

COMMUNITY NEWS

"LET'S HASSLE THE HIPPIE CHICK"



Women in our community beware! The local pigs, namely the Ypsilanti Police Department, has decided to improve community relations by being overt sexist pigs. Last week they decided to use their pig power and detain one of our sisters in the community. While she was detained they threw a barrage of sexist questions to her hinting that they were interested in a piece of the action. Once again the pigs do their share in building our sisters' revolutionary consciousness in dealing with the real enemy. Women will be discussing self-defense techniques at a future New Nation Sisters meeting. Be there and smash sexist attacks.

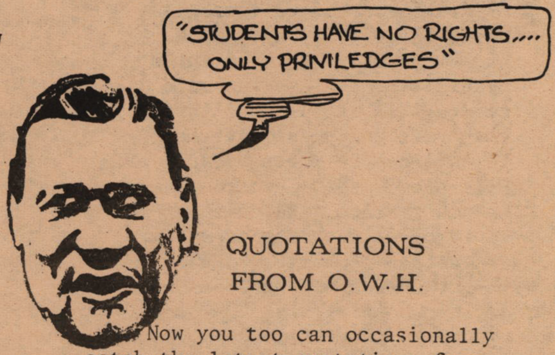


The Youth International Party will have a benefit March 19 and 20 in Sill 1, with showings at 7:30 and 9:30 each night. The Yippies will be showing a "Tripping Special," featuring Walt Disney's animated cartoon version of "Alice In Wonderland," which is Lewis Carroll's original acid-head version of a girl who has a weird trip. With it is another short called "The Red Trap," a "must-see" film of how Communist agents capture the hearts and minds of the youth of Amerika. Admission will be a low 75 cents. Proceeds will go to pay for a printing press for the community.

LAW AND ORDER!

SHERIFF CHICKENS OUT

Doug "CIA Pig" Harvey failed to keep his honest commitments again by failing to appear before 150 students at Buell Hall. It seems that Sheriff Doug has failed to appear for the third consecutive time. Using his thousand-dollar surveillance equipment, Harvey probably determined that the crowd of students was somewhat to the left of John Wayne, and so he went off somewhere in Detroit to speak instead. Students enraged by his failure to appear said it would "probably take another riot to get him at Eastern."


"STUDENTS HAVE NO RIGHTS,... ONLY PRIVILEDGES"

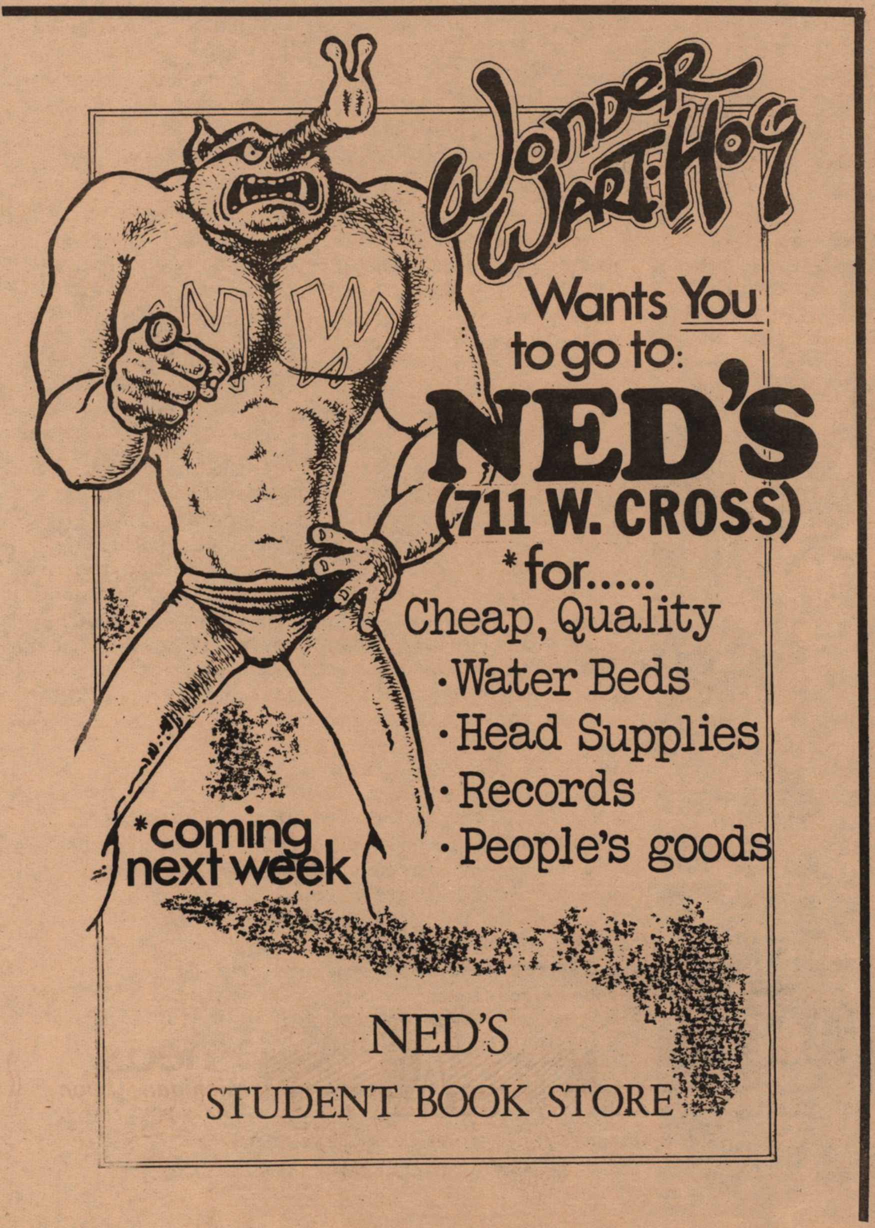
QUOTATIONS FROM O.W.H.

Now you too can occasionally catch the latest quotations from Old Weird Harold! Learn about his latest bust policies! Have something to do when you're stoned! You can call 487-2460 and get a tape-recorded message from O.W.H.

Here are some other useful numbers to know:

Harold Sponberg, President	483-1193 (home) 487-2211
Lew Profit, VP for Business etc.	483-0566 (home) 487-2031
James Campbell, VP for Students	434-1836 (home) 487-2309
Bruce Nelson, VP for Instruction	434-2069 (home) 487-3200
Virginia Allen, Regent	1-283-0404
Veda Anderson, Regent	482-0782
Charles Anspach, Regent	517-774-3282
Lawrence Husse, Regent	482-7304
Edward McCormick, Chairman of Regents	1-241-7677
Richard Robb, Regent	482-2986
Mildred Smith, Regent	1-238-1631
George Stripp, Regent	482-6444

(Making obscene, threatening, abusive, and/or harassing phone calls is illegal. Remember that when you express your opinions over the phone!)



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LS&A SIT-IN

University of Michigan students staged a sit-in at the LS&A building last week to protest the US invasion of Laos and the university's involvement in classified research. Students then occupied the Administration Building and presented a list of six demands including the end of U of M inovlvement with racist and sexist corporations, an end to war research, student control of the Course Mart, an end to ROTC, and the establishment of a 24-hour child care center. The students are also demanding that the University open all its facilities to the Movement. Further actions are expected after their spring break.

FOOD CO OP

There is a meeting of the food coop upstairs in front of the ballroom. We want EVERYONE to come who is interested in: Getting food, starting one here, knows anything about how it could work, or has any ideas. We need people because it is just in the stages of creation and if it will serve the people we all need to shape it.

Want to know more?
call 484-0259

HELP!

Emergency Vehicle Manned by Narcs

Yes, folks, you can call the new Student Health Center emergency aid vehicle and invite narcotics agents right to your door! The vehicle, staffed by the campus pigs, uses its men to help those people who need emergency aid. Of course, while they are there "helping" you they will also be gathering information for their employer.

So the next time you freak out don't call the emergency aid vehicle, cuz in reality you're calling the pigs.

And for their service it will only cost you three dollars.

OZONE EXPRESS

If you're going to Ann Arbor some time during the week, and you don't have a ride, or it's raining or you don't feel like hitching, 'cause you're all strung out from last night's exam, truck on over to McKenny Union. The Ozone Express is picking up people there every hour on the hour between 10 and 5 every day, monday thru friday. If you can help us get people to where they wanna go, call us up at 483-0647. We're always looking for more drivers.

The Ozone Express is for people who need rides. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS.

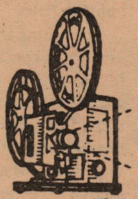
COSMIC CALENDAR

Lots of things are happening in and around our community. It's important for people to know about everything that's happening so we can get together and get down with each other. This Kalendar is your Kalendar. People make things happen. People should get all community information out. Everything is relevant. Since it's the people's Kalendar, it's your job to let us know what you're doing and what's happening. The information in the Kalendar now is limited. Let us know what you're doing and planning to do! Send all information to: Second Coming c/o Cosmic Calendar P.O. Box 491 Ypsilanti, Mich. or call us at 483-0647

RA TURN NARC

"I'm Only Doing My Job"

Robert Luther, Head Resident of Phelps Hall, took the law into his own hands last week and decided he would do his Amerikan Duty and report three students who were supposedly caught by him smoking dope in their rooms. It seems that with no search warrant the head resident decided that he would make his own gestapo raid. Dorm residents should be aware of RA's who are "only doing their job." It may mean up to 20 years in jail. OFF THE PIG RA's!



FILM SERIES

The Yip Community's free film and speaker series will continue next Monday about International Women's Week, and the film will be "She's Beautiful When She's Angry." There will be speakers from women's groups around the country. The following week: "People's Park."

The programs happen every Monday night starting at 7:30 p.m. in Strong Auditorium. And they are FREE, FREE, FREE....

March 3-SMC meeting 7-10:30 in 213 PH.

March 3,4,5-MUD Cinema presents "The Reivers" for $1 at 201 PH 7&9 p.m.

March 4-Free flick-RHEEC films is showing "Casino Royale" at 7 p.m. in 213 PH.

March 4-New Nation Sisters meeting 7:30 p.m. Jones Hall. Rap about your problems with some far-out women.

March 5-St. John's Church, Mantra Productions presents Community Dance-live bands $1.

March 5-Intercommunal Solidarity Day

March 5&6-Cliff's Cleaners Coffeehouse 18223 Jay Road in Det. presents "The Minority Group" featuring Doug Cross, $1.50, at 8:30 p.m.

March 8-Free flick "She's Beautiful when She's Angry" also New Nation Sisters will talk. Be there at 7:30 in Strong Sud.

March 8-International Women's Day

March 12-Don't miss this-Ike and Tina Turner Revue also SRC at Hill Auditorium. Tickets cost $2.50, $3, and $3.50. Should be great.

March 12-Gordon Light foot at Bowen Fieldhouse. Tickets are selling for $2, $3, and $4 and the concert starts at 8:30 p.m.

March 12&13-At Cliffs Cleaners Coffeehouse presents "The Golden Braid" with Frank Allison. Adm. $1.50, show starts 8:30 p.m.

March 13-Abortion March in Lansing (Bus transportation available) call 482-5942

March 13-March in New Haven to support Erika and Bobby

The Project Community
presents
IKE & TINA TURNER REVUE
plus SRC
Friday, March 12th
Hill Aud.
U of M Ann Arbor
2 shows
7 & 9:30
TICKETS ON SALE
·ned's
Michigan Union
10:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.

BOBBY AND ERICKA MUST BE SET FREE

THE TRIAL OF BOBBY SEALE AND ERICKA HUGGINS

Conspiracy to Murder: A Tool of Repression

Almost two years after the arrests of 14 men and women alleged to have been involved in a conspiracy to murder Alex Rackley, many people are still uncertain about how to deal with the "facts" of the case. Given the fact that Alex Rackley was killed and his body found, how can this be considered a political trial, they ask. But the many facts of the case specifically the violation of every constitutional and human right the defendants are supposed to have, not only demonstrate that the trial is political in nature but strongly indicate even from a legal viewpoint that the charges should be dropped.

The immense prejudicial publicity generated by the mass media over the past 20 months has so poisoned the atmosphere in the New Haven area that selection of a "fair and impartial" jury is made impossible. The current jury selection is the longest in Connecticut history, and may well be the longest in the history of the United States.

What are the facts in the case of Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins vs. the State of Connecticut? The true picture has been obscured by massive adverse publicity in local and national newspapers and magazines, and radio and television broadcasts. Time, Life and New York magazines have printed slanderous and even libelous articles about the Black Panther Party, all of which are part of the national campaign to destroy the image and distort the goals of the Party in the eyes of the American people.

FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover has repeatedly made inflammatory statements about the Black Panther Party; on the eve of Lonnie McLucas's trial, he call~~ed the~~ Party "the most violence-prone group in America." During the first weeks of Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins' trial, he repeated his previous attacks and added the malicious and libelous statement, "Bobby Seale is typical of the Panther leadership...convicted of vicious and violent crimes." (Bobby Seale has never been convicted of a crime of violence.)

In a court of law, the truth is supposed to be revealed and justice administered. But we do not see any justice in the courts for poor people, for black people, and especially black men and women struggling for the liberation of all oppressed people.

We must be armed with the truth about this case because we cannot let Bobby and Ericka be railroaded to the electric chair or life in prison.

Here is the situation:

I. THE DEFENDANTS AND THE CHARGES:

All of the original 14 people arrested in 1969 were charged with aiding and abetting murder, kidnapping, conspiracy to kidnap, conspiracy to murder, and some with binding with intent to commit a felony. Two of the charges are capital crimes punishable by death. At present, two of the 14 are currently on trial; two others, Landon Williams and Rory Hithe are still fighting extradition in Denver. What happened to the other ten?

LONNIE MCLUCAS stood trial last summer on four charges with a fifth charge of murder in the first degree pending in Middlesex County. He was found innocent on three counts including the capital charges, and convicted of one charge, conspiracy to murder on August 31, 1970. Later, the Middlesex murder charge was dropped.

It must be understood that Lonnie did not have to put his life on the line by standing trial on capital charges. He, like others, was offered a "deal" if he would turn state's evidence. But Lonnie refused to plea-bargain with the prosecution and turn against his friends. He is now serving the maximum sentence for the charge -- 12 to 15 years in prison.

GEORGE SAMS has a history of violent crimes and sadistic behavior. In 1961, he was sent to a New York State reformatory (Wassaic) after mugging a man. There, he was found to be an "alleged dangerous mental defective" and to have the intelligence of a moron. He was transferred to another institution at Napanoch, New York, where during his stay he was supposed to have "improved."

When he left this institution, he went to Detroit where he got a job in an auto plant. He soon quit the job and shortly thereafter, according to Sams, he became a "wino." He was convicted of breaking and entering following an armed robbery attempt in 1966 where he sustained several gunshot wounds while trying to escape from the police. (Sams has been known to brag about being shot *five* times by the pigs.) He was shot once at the base of the skull and once in the back. After major surgery, a titanium plate was inserted in his skull, but metal fragments were left lodged in his brain. Sams says he "goes blank" when he drinks and loses control of his behavior and can't remember what he is doing.

Sams's conduct in the Black Panther Party earned him the name "Crazy George". In August, 1968, Bobby Seale expelled him from the Party after he knifed a brother in the leg at a party in Oakland. He was subsequently reinstated, at the request of Stokely Carmichael, only to commit another brutal assault on another brother, Jerry Tanaka, on May 3, 1969. An eye witness reported that Sams was laughing hysterically as he beat Tanaka and stopped only when ordered to do so by another Party member.

It is important to note here that none of the witnesses who could attest to Sams's aggressive brutality were permitted to testify in the McLucas trial. Of all the defendants in this case, Sams is the only witness who charges that Bobby Seale ordered the murder of Alex Rackley. He is the State's main prosecution witness against Bobby and Ericka, and likewise against Lonnie McLucas. Yet the State refused to allow any testimony concerning the character and behavior of this "dangerous mental defective" to be heard in open court during the McLucas trial. Sams has shown himself to be a liar, with great hostility toward Bobby Seale (who once expelled him from the Party) and the Black Panther Party in general. At the McLucas trial, Sams testified to the fact that he "disapproved" of the Black Panther Party, did not agree with the Party's policies because it "became more of a communist party policy from the goal of its beginning...and they're brainwashing their minds." Sams admitted on the witness stand that it was he who poured hot water on Rackley and tortured and interrogated him. He claims, "I killed Alex Rackley because I was ordered to see that Alex Rackley was dead..." Yet, he also said in his testimony, "When I believe I'm right, I'm willing to go against the Party..."

Warren Kimbro, who admits to firing the fatal shot, did NOT implicate Bobby Seale in the murder of Alex Rackley—in spite of the fact that he was testifying for the State and was aware that his undetermined sentence would depend on the "quality" of his testimony.

WARREN KIMBRO, a New Haven resident, also pleaded guilty to second-degree murder after spending eight months in jail, and has turned State's evidence. Second-degree murder is considered murder without premeditation and is therefore a lesser crime with a lighter penalty.

During the McLucas trial, Kimbro admitted on the witness stand that he shot the victim in the head following a direct order from George Sams.

Kimbro and Sams, the actual perpetrators of the murder, will not stand trial, are still waiting to be sentenced, and are aware that they will be considered for early parole if they cooperate fully with the prosecution.

LORETTA LUCKES pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of conspiracy to kidnap (She was originally charged with the same four charges brought against Lonnie McLucas.), testified for the State in the McLucas trial, and is now free — having received a suspended sentence.

ROSE SMITH, PEGGY HUDGINS and GEORGE EDWARDS were kept in jail for over a year and a half without bail because they were charged with capital crimes. Judge Mulvey upheld Markle's contention that the State had ample evidence against them. During this time, they were subjected to tremendous pressure to plead guilty to lesser charges and testify against the other defendants. But they did not bow to this pressure and in November, 1970, Markle had to abandon his claim. He then substituted the simple charge of aggravated assault and requested suspended sentences for the three -- AFTER they had already spent 18 months in jail. Thus, we can see that in the State of Connecticut, as in most states, the prosecutor has the power to keep people in jail to try to make a better case for the State even when he knows he does not have sufficient evidence with which to bring them to trial. Such practices are clearly unconstitutional and violate basic human rights.

MAUDE FRANCIS AND JEANNIE WILSON, two juvenile defendants whose present whereabouts are unknown, were originally charged with capital crimes and later mysteriously released from prison by State's Attorney Arnold Markle without notice to the defense attorneys. Their release followed the testimony of Jeannie Wilson for the State during the pre-trial hearings. They are now out of state and unavailable for examination by defense attorneys.

FRANCES CARTER was kept in jail until the judge ruled that the State's evidence against her was insufficient not to warrant bail. Once out of jail, Frances spent only 24 hours with her family and her infant child, born in prison, before Markle subpoenaed her to testify for the State. She was granted immunity from prosecution, but refused to testify and was sent back to prison with a six-month sentence for contempt of court. Five months months later (after she had served all but a month of the sentence), the charge was nolled (dropped).

In view of the fact that Frances could be subpoenaed again and again, and each time she refused to testify jailed for contempt, her attorney advised her to testify for the state in the McLucas trial. However, during her testimony, she was declared a "hostile witness" by the Court which gave Markle the right to cross-examine her. Frances stood up well under Markle's haranging cross-examination. In the final analysis, her testimony was helpful to the defense.

II. THE PROSECUTION AND THE POLICE.

Arnold Markle represents the State of Connecticut which supposedly means that he represents the people of Connecticut. But it has been shown that the State's Attorney does not work with or for the people; rather, he works closely with the police and the FBI in prosecuting the victims of "law and order" and ferreting out "conspiracies."

Atool which police and prosecutors use against the Black Panther Party and other revolutionary people struggling for change is the CONSPIRACY charge. The law on conspiracy is broad and ambiguous and allows the prosecutors to name a large number of defendants, implicated solely by their affiliations with a particular group. Defendants can be tried and convicted on conspiracy scharges without any actual crime having been committed.

Conspiracy charges also fit nicely with another tool commonly used by prosecutors called OVERCHARGING -- where every conceivable charge is slapped on a defendant in hopes that at least one will stick. A prominent New Haven criminal lawyer told a college audience last year that he "regretted" the overcharging in this case, but that "it happens all the time," and he knew the "State's Attorney didn't want a death penalty for the girls." He added that overcharging was the prosecutor's way of insuring that he got a conviction of *some* of the defendants for *some* of the counts in the indictments. If the defendants or defense attorneys don't react to overcharging by making deals (plea-bargaining), then the prosecutor relies on the jury to come up with a compromise verdict in their deliberations over multiple charges, as in the McLucas case.

Justice and the "rule of law" have little to do with the American judicial system in reality. Plea-bargaining, overcharging, and "legal" bartering among judge, prosecutor and public defender are the rule of the day with years of people's lives hanging in the balance.

III. THE JURY.

Of the first 500 prospective jurors selected from voting lists in New Haven County, only 17, or 3.4%, were black and few were under 40. The average age of each jury panel has been approximately 49. Eighteen to twenty-one-year-olds now eligible to vote are completely excluded. Women, especially those with young children, are consistently underrepresented, and people charged (not necessarily convicted) with minor offenses have been arbitrarily but systematically eliminated. The voting lists themselves are not representative of non-white and poor people, and the defense has challenged exclusive use of voter-registration lists as the only source from which jury panels are selected in this County. Other sources such as the census material and city directory could be used to assure a true cross-esction of the community with all groups adequately represented.

Judge Mulvey, or the Court, is automatically eliminating all prospective jurors who are unalterably opposed to the death penalty – people who could not consider sentencing another person to die in the electric chair.

In the United States, 50% of the population is opposed to capital punishment, and statistics have shown that those in favor of the death penalty are conviction-oriented. Thus, Bobby and Ericka are certain to get a conviction-prone jury to begin with.

Both the defense and the prosecution in this case have been granted 60 challenges each, which simply means that they can excuse 60 potential jurors without cause. Such challenges were originally designed to secure for the accused a fair trial, i.e., to eliminate those persons from the jury who demonstrate prejudice against the defendants or prejudgments of any kind concerning the case. But the use of peremptory challenges by the prosecution confers on the State the power to arbitrarily exclude qualified and objective individuals from jury service in violation of the Constitutions of Connecticut and the United States.

Since an overwhelming number of the prospective jurors are unacceptable to the defendants, but acceptable to the State, Markle in essence gets to pick the jury.

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BOBBY SEALE

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IV. PRE-TRIAL DETENTION.

In some of the prisons in the State of Connecticut, over half of the prisoners are men and women awaiting trial. They have not been convicted of anything; but they have been unable to post the sum of money necessary to be bailed out. Bobby and Ericka are not eligible for bail because they are charged with capital crimes. The courts in America oppress the poor and the black because they are the people who are punished in prison even *before* they are brought to trial. You have heard of the legal phrase "innocent to until proven guilty." That seems to apply only to those with wealth and power power.

Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins have been treated as convicted persons in the prisons where they are held. They have been denied access to the materials and persons required to prepare their case. They have been subjected to official searches of rooms, persons. and personal belongings without good cause. Ericka's poetry has been confiscated. Bobby Seale is isolated from other prisoners; Ericka has only recently been released from isolated quarters.

A suit has been brought in the U.S. District Court of Connecticut at Bridgeport by Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins against Ellis McDougall, Commissioner of Corrections (who has since resigned), Arnold Markle, State's Attorney, and other prison personnel. Some of the jail conditions have been eased as a result of this suit; Bobby and Ericka are no longer to be denied access to papers and visits from persons necessary for the preparation of their defense, for example. Another hearing will be held on these matters at the U.S. District Court in Bridgeport, February 8, at 2:00 p.m. The people are welcome to come and observe the proceedings.

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Will the facts about the workof Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins and the Black Panther Party come out in the courtroom? Will the Court allow the defendants to talk about the breakfast programs, the free health clinics, the position of theBlack Panther Party against racism, or the assassinations of John Huggins (Ericka's husband) and Bunchy Carter who were members of the Black Panther Party in Los Angeles? Will the jury know about the hundreds of false arrests of Party members, the police raids of the Panthers' offices across the country, or the governmental conspiracy to destroy the Black Panther Party and the liberation struggles of black, brown, white, red, and yellow Americans who are denied their rights and systematically oppressed?

Was there really a *conspiracy* in New Haven, or was the death of Alex Rackley a tragic result of the actions and influence of a pshycopath?

Martin Luther King's assassin confessed in prison to being a part of a conspiracy to murder Dr. King. Unlike this case, the police and FBI (government?) did not unleash their investigating powers to find the co-conspirators in the murder of a black leader and one of the nation's greatest humanitarians.

Why, then are the police and FBI spending so much time and millions of dollars to avenge the death of an unknown black man, Alex Rackley, and to *find* as many "co-conspirators" as possible?

How can this be considered an "ordinary criminal trial" as the State claims?

Can we separate in our minds the unjust attacks on the Black Panther Party from the trial of Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins? Are Bobby and Ericka on trial or is the Black Panther Party itself on trial?

In the final analysis, it is up to each and every one of us to answer these questions and to see for ourselves what is happening in New Haven Superior Court. We must do what we can – come out, speak out, march, organize – to see that justice is done – people's justice.

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In the past six months Vietnam has been subjected to a heavy escalation of the most advanced technological war ever waged. This has been thought about for many reasons. One is that the Saigon army won't fight. In the first week of the 1968 Tet offensive, 200,000 of them deserted. Another is that the US Army can't fight. Discipline has totally broken down and most GI's just get stoned a lot and avoid combat. Trigger-happy officers are sometimes killed--"fragged" --by their own men.

The main reason, however, is that the peasants in the countryside support the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG), the government set up by a coalition including the Viet Cong. The US generals have decided that the people who support the PRG are to be removed in order to isolate the guerrillas and regular army units of the PRG and North Vietnam. Crops in the liberated areas are to be destroyed in order to deprive the PRG forces of food. This strategy of "forced urbanization" has unleashed automated genocide--with the GM mark of excellence--on those who refused to leave their homes. Those people who have become refugees make up 1/4 of the population of South Vietnam.

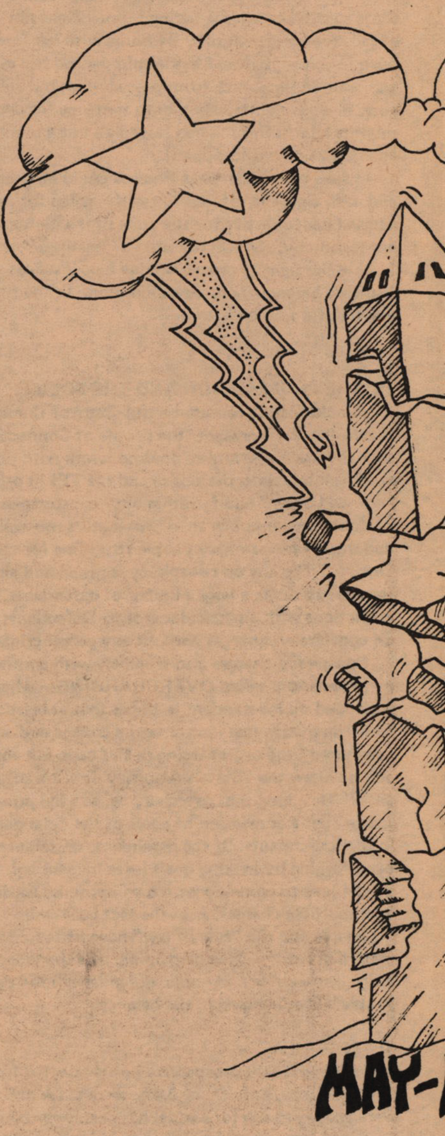
In order to accomplish its goals the US war machine is using some of the most hideous weapons ever known. Chemical defoliants that are used for destroying crops cause genetic mutations when they get into the drinking water. In some areas where defoliants have been heavily used, women have had 6 times as many deformed babies as women who survived Hiroshima. Millions of acres of some of the world's best farmland have been permanently destroyed by poisonous chemicals. South Vietnam, which used to export rice, now is unable to grow enough rice to feed itself.

Another weapon the US is using in Indochina is the pellet bomb. These bombs, banned by the Geneva Convention, have plastic pellets which often cannot be removed because x-rays don't detect them. They come in many forms. There are delayed-action ones which will go off hours or days after they are dropped, when the people have come out of their bomb shelters. There are pellet bombs which go off when stepped on or picked up by a curious child.

The amount of bombs which have been dropped in the past 6 months has been stepped up drastically. Right now there is about 3 times the explosive power of the Hiroshima atomic bomb dropped on Indochina *every week*. In the heavily bombed areas of Laos and Vietnam people live in tunnels and caves for protection from bombs. So US planes have now begun to drop 1000 pound boms which are supposed to be able to wipe out caves and tunnels.

All of this technological genocide has created those 1/4 of the population which are now refugees. Many of these refugees are herded into "strategic hamlets" which surround big American bases and US-controlled cities. The people in these glorified concentration camps are locked in at night. During the day the people grow their crops under gun towers. These camps do not provide enough land to live on, so the people must survive on US food packages, which are often stolen and sold on the black market by Saigon generals.

An important political factor about "strategic hamlets" is that the people who are herded into them are usually PRG sympathizers. PRG cadres go into these camps with the rest of the people, so that the hamlets are not an effective protection for US bases or cities. In the 1968 Tet offensive, people in these camps and in the cities rose up and attacked hundreds of bases and cities at one time.



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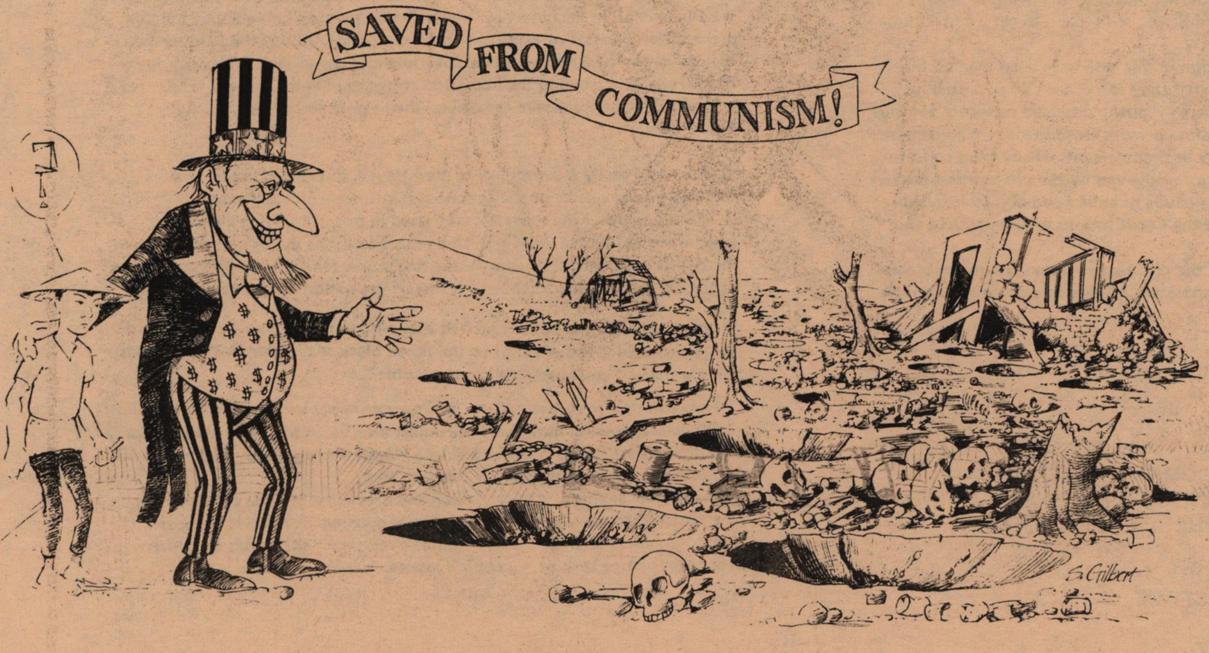

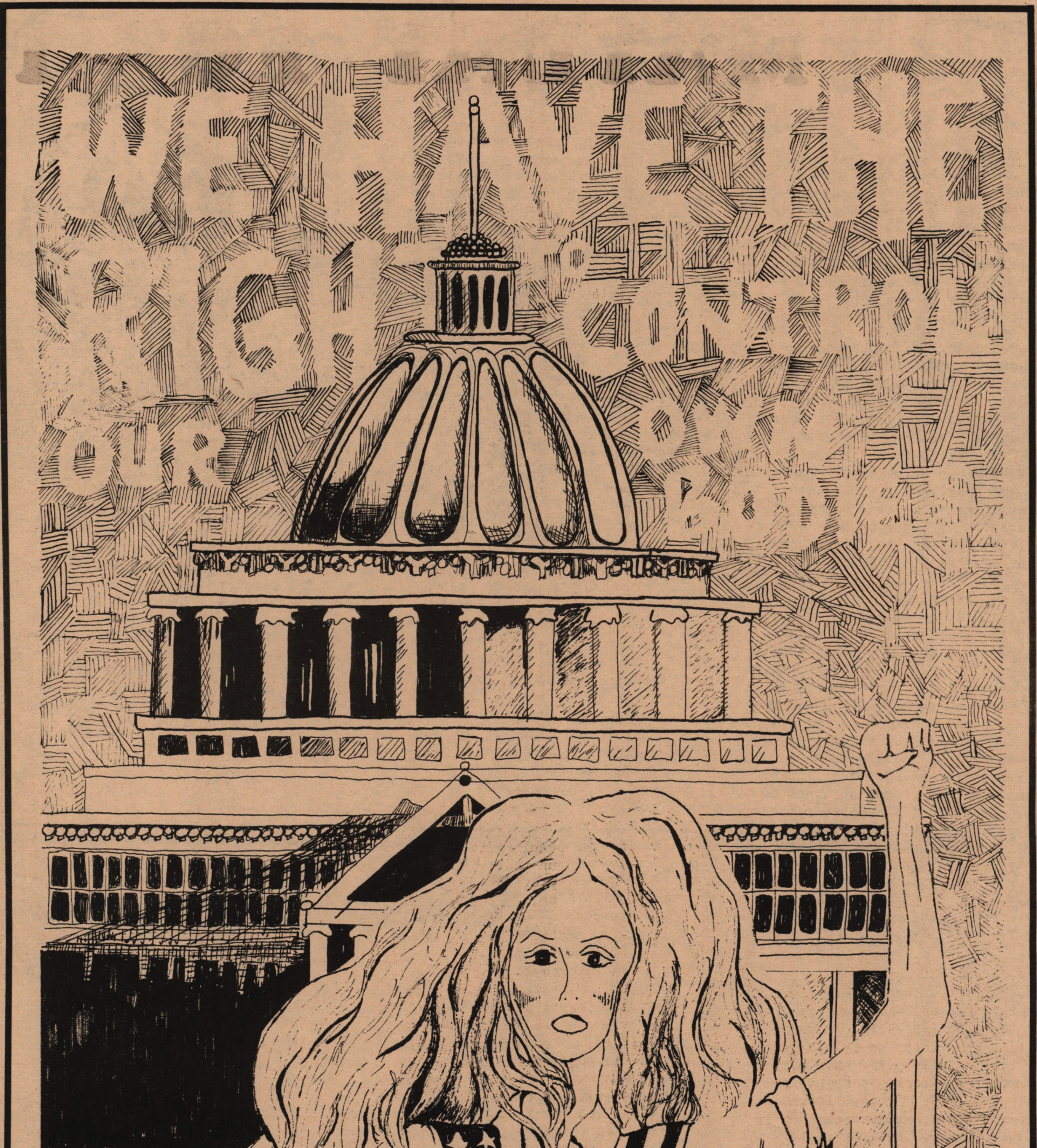
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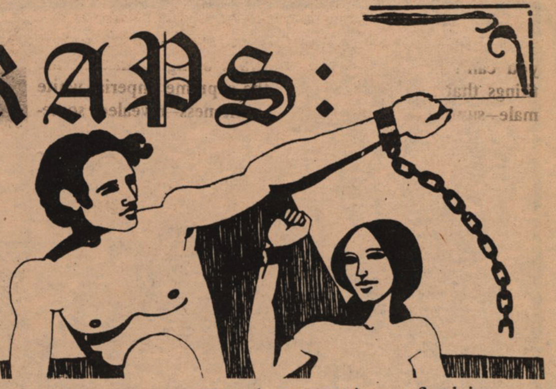

Womens Liberation had been just an abstract phrase to me for a long time. I never understood in a personal way but gave it lip service through a lot of rethoric. In the last year or so I've gone through many changes. I have become a little more concious of the importance of Womens Liberation to the freedom of women, MEN, society as a whole.

Our chauvinism keeps ours and women's sensitivity, strength, beauty, creativity, and feelings inside. The competitive "prove your manhood" attitudes that have been instilled in us keep women down. We feel a need to control and run things which carries over into our relationships with women and men. We will tend to dominate because socity has put us in that role: the person who brings home the $, does all the manual work around the house is more respected for his opinion, etc...We have developed rationalizations of why women fit their role which we have assigned to them, i.e. being gentle, loving, unagressive, modest, patient, naive, simplistic, irrational, intuitive, home-centered. Any woman who dares reject the role is accused of being unwomanly, neurotic, trying to be a man and is assumed to be sexually malajusted. There is such a great stigma attached to no accepting your sexual role for fear of appearing unfeminine and in men it would remove all your verility and masculinity. Society has forced men to take human beings with human potential identical to their own and enslave them (after rationalizing our enslavement of black people it was natural to rationalize the same type of attitude towards women). To justify what we had don we created a false dichotomy between male and female, assigning certain HUMAN characteristics exclusively to each other, to make it seem that the sexes were different in nature. By perpetrating these attitudes and actions we weaken ourselves, because we stifle half of the people. By dominating and stifling that potential we must also be competing between ourselves which keeps our potential down. We also keep our feelings from each other, because it is almost an unconscious thing we have in our heads that we don't open up our feelings to men- only to "sensitive and warm" women. This is really oppressive to me, because I can't really feel close to other men and build the strength we need to be with each other.

When we are able to break through the walls of fear we have toward ourselves and others, the inwardness--destructiveness individualistic attitudes we have towards our emotions -- can begin to disappear. The destruction of this conditioning will enable us to grow into really strong revolutionaries. It is really liberating to feel warmth and trust with our brothers. When we begin to share things, we will probably find much commonality in our experiences through which we can learn a lot.

If we don't initiate dealing with our brothers and our own chauvinism it will become really difficult for the women to relate to us as revolutionaries. Without taking the first step we don't really show a willingness to deal with male chauvinism. By dealing with it we will hopefully encourage the women to confront us. I think what is needed is for men in Ypsi to get together in groups to rap about these things. I feel a need to do this soon--we have already alienated a gay brother from us. If there are other men who want to get this together, please contact Mike 484-02 59.

with revolutionary love,
Mike

Announcements

All sisters that would like a woman's liberation t-shirt, you can pick one up at 605 Cross st. or bring your shirts to the New Nation Sisters meeting this Thursday at Jones hall lounge and we'll silkscreen for 50¢!

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On March 13 sisters are going to be marching in Lansing in support of repealing all abortion laws in Michigan. Buses will be available! For more information about the march or transportation, contact New Nation Sisters 4825942!

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March 8th is International Woman's Day! Woman should get together to laugh and dance with each other. A lit table will be set up in Mckinney Union for women that want more information on what women's liberation is all about! There will also be speakers and movies about women's liberation. Look for posters and leaflets for more information!

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There are more copies of this Supplement available! Share your copy with your sisters or they can pick up another copy at 605 Cross St. Ypsilanti, Michigan

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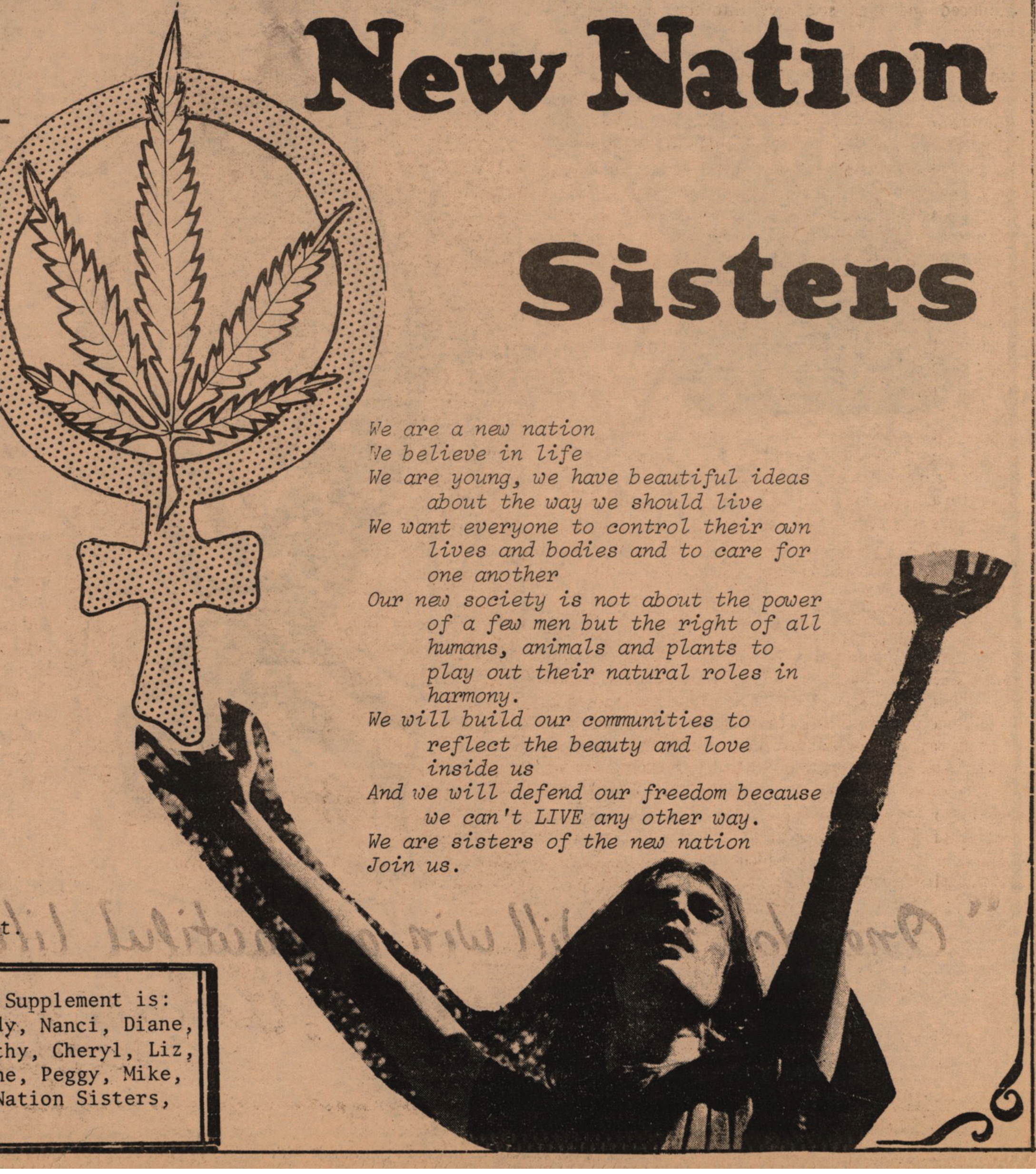

We are a new nation
We believe in life
We are young, we have beautiful ideas
about the way we should live
We want everyone to control their own
lives and bodies and to care for
one another
Our new society is not about the power
of a few men but the right of all
humans, animals and plants to
play out their natural roles in
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We will build our communities to
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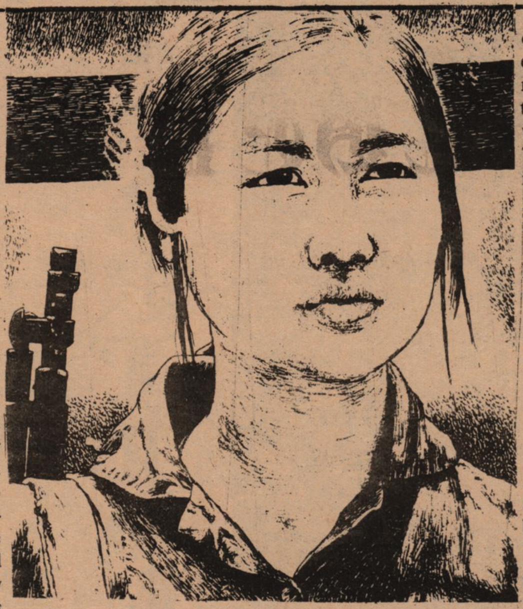
And we will defend our freedom because
we can't LIVE any other way.
We are sisters of the new nation
Join us.



women and war

Marilyn Albert

FROM WIN

. . We shouldn't have to say that we want a "Women's Liberation Movement that is Anti-Imperialist" or that we want an "Anti-Imperialist Women's Liberation Movement." We shouldn't have to say that, because we should know that you can't be for liberation without being against all the things that prevent liberation: the supreme imperial white male–supremacy, imperialism, whiteness–revealed sometimes in one guise or another, fought sometimes in one guise or another. If we have come to the point where we have to question why we as a "women's movement" should be against the war, if we have to show the "connection" between "imperialism" and "male supremacy" in order to be against it, we have gotten our heads and our hearts messed up and we have come very far from our reality . . .

–a woman from Bread and Roses

Radical women have talked for several months of "making the connections" between women and the war, between imperialism, sexism, and racism. We have wracked our brains trying to develop an analysis, as if we had to have it all neatly worked out and on paper before we could do something. But "making the connections" only means developing a better understanding of how all these things are intertwined, how one oppression buttresses another, and how liberation is contagious, so that we can better know how to struggle for the fulfillment of *everyone's* basic needs and rights. Our resistance as women to the war need not and cannot depend on our having a complete understanding of our own role in what is going on. It's far too complicated–we keep discovering new "connections"–for us to wait for that. The intensity of our resistance can not only *match* the degree of our own exploitation, it must surpass it. If there were no "connections" between our struggle as women and other liberation struggles going on all over the world (which is incomprehensible) we would still have to fight.

But an understanding of how women's role in our country helps keep imperialism steamrolling throughout the world gives us a handle by which to grasp the problem and move things. The courage of our revolutionary sisters inspires us and makes more real our stakes, as women and as people, in liberation for ourselves and for everyone.

Women's part in an imperialist system is directly related to our role within capitalism. In this society, women play two major roles, within the family as wife and mother, and in the labor force. Our role in the family is as a maintainer and reproducer of a workforce for the system. Because the family is the place where we can find love and security, women's work is said to be a "labor of love." But it is really to keep the system running. A man can only be free to spend forty hours or more a week working away from the home if someone is there to take care of him and his home. So the economy gets two workers for the price of one. In addition, marriage and the family is the way children are produced and then socialized into their later roles as workers.

Women in the labor force are a large but easily manipulated group. It is a myth that most women who work do it only temporarily and for "pin money," but we have been so thoroughly brainwashed to believe that, that even women who have worked all their lives to support a family find it hard to identify as workers and therefore they seldom organize themselves or fight for their rights, even within the unions that usually ignore or minimize women's demands and needs. So women, even unionized women, are paid according to a secondary wage scale and enjoy few benefits or protections. There is little job security for women, and we are the last hired and the first fired. An economy that fluctuates from "war time" to "peace time" makes the job situation that much more precarious for women. In wartime, women who have then become the primary support of their families are hired to do the work that men now needed at the front were doing. When peace returns, the women are sent home, because the jobs are needed again for the men. Following World War II, when returning GI's had to be given work, a campaign was launched to "get women back into the home where they belonged" and out of the jobs they had been filling. Articles appeared in women's magazines on the virtues of breastfeeding as opposed to bottle formulas, and balance was restored to the labor market.

Women's conditioned passivity is part of the general passivity that permits the war to go on, but with passivity in women has come sympathy and compassion. Seventy-four percent of American women when polled said they would not have obeyed orders at Mylai as opposed to twenty-one percent of American men. To say that centuries of socialization have dehumanized men and cultivated more human qualities in women is not to fall into myths of sex stereotypes–it is simply to recognize that we are very deeply conditioned. We must rebel against traditional notions of femininity, but at the same time retain and strengthen those qualities which enable us to identify and struggle with oppressed peoples.

By definition, a ruling class oppresses people under its domestic thumb, and must doubly oppress them when it is exploiting people in the Third World as well–in order to meet rising military expenditures and to stifle resistance to the war. In recent years of the Vietnam war, people in every walk of life have felt the pinch of the war economically. The contracting labor market brought about by war-caused inflation and recession does not provide enough work and unemployment is at a peak. Wages do not rise in proportion to the rising living cost, and prices creep steadily upward–a fact that is particularly evident to the budget-minded housewife.

More and more women are being forced to go on welfare–as welfare, childcare and anti-poverty programs are cut back to re-allocate money for the war. The guaranteed annual income demand of the National Welfare Rights Organization of $5500 per year is spent every three seconds in Viet Nam, while Nixon's proposed welfare allotment for a family of four is $1600.

Poor women have been the primary victims of the birth and population control programs sponsored or subsidized by the U.S. government or its agencies. Those programs, both within the United States and throughout the Third World countries under U.S. domination or influence, are another aspect of genocide and imperialism. The women's liberation demand for control of our bodies and the recent ecological consciousness have been distorted and co-opted into a devastating population control program all over the world which, rather than permitting people greater control over their lives, usurps that control completely. Poor women have been the guinea pigs for birth and population control methods. The first tests done on the Pill were on women of Puerto Rico, Haiti, and areas of Appalachia.

The U.S. sponsors and subsidizes similar population control programs internationally. Groups like the Peace Corps, International Planned Parenthood, and Agency for International Development run international population control programs under the guise of solving the problems of poverty caused by overpopulation, but really for the purpose of curbing growth of Third World, potentially revolutionary populations, and for control of the land and resources in those countries. We must clarify our demands for control of bodies and intensify our fight so that such genocidal policies cannot be co-opted in the name of "liberalization" or "saving the world from overpopulation."

The United States government and the Saigon regime have devised a specific method of warfare against women, designed to break morale, terrorize, and induce physical and moral decay throughout South Viet Nam, thereby weakening the growing resistance there. Rape and other unimaginable crimes against women are common and are encouraged by the U.S. command. The Saigon government admitted to thirty-six daylight rapes in the Saigon streets during 1969. One can only imagine what the real figures must be to force such an admission. In January, 1969, two GI's arrested and raped a waitress in a Saigon hotel, leaving a bottle of champagne rammed into her vagina. In April, 1970, twelve waitresses in that hotel went on strike for protection of their dignity against rape. The Committee to Defend the Dignity and Virtue of Vietnamese Women, which for two years functioned to educate and assist Vietnamese women with widespread (even among ARVN officers whose wives were forced to prostitution while they were at the front), was eventually outlawed by the government. The current Committee to Defend the Right to Live, is the major women's anti-Thieu-Ky-Khiem organization, and is a strong force in the South Vietnamese resistance movement. The prostitution rate in South Viet Nam is 400,000–one for every GI!

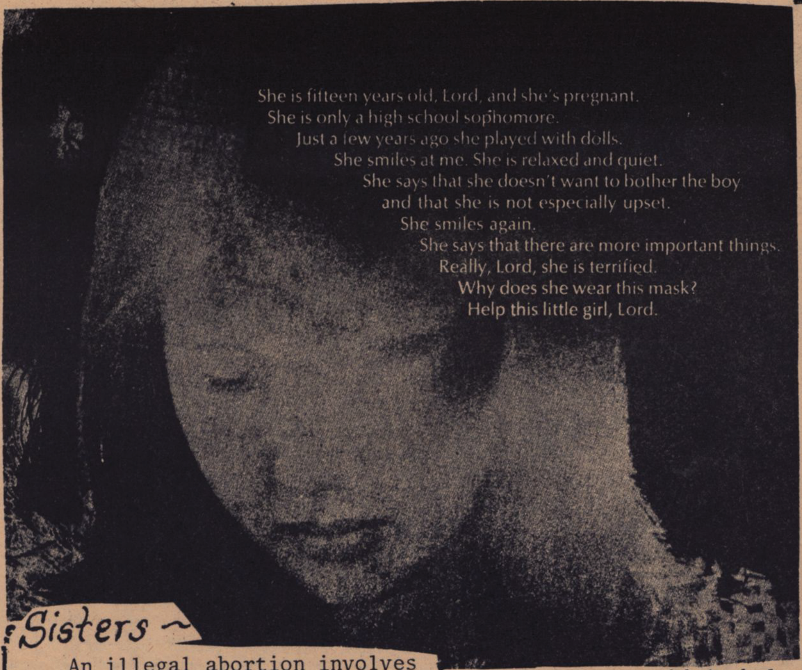
It is absolutely vital that American women use the power we have as women by following the example of our Vietnamese sisters and resisting the war at every level. Wherever we are, we can find some way to relate the war to our lives and to the lives of women around us and to organize around that. Housewives can initiate consumer boycotts of war-industry products, and conduct educational campaigns in shopping areas about how the war affects rising costs. Working women can organize on the job, tying in work conditions and low wages to the war. Students can do educational work around women and imperialism. There is a wide range of activities being organized in the women's movement around the war. Women are opening health clinics and naming them after Madame Binh of the PRG and opening tax counseling centers in their communities. Several women's groups will be circulating drafts of the People's Peace Treaty which specifically relate women to the war as part of a sustained effort to educate people about the war and move them to take themselves out of it.

For more information about women's anti-imperialist activity, contact: *The New York Committee to Defend the Right to Live, 2nd floor, 5 W. 21st Street, New York City.*

–Marilyn Albert

"One day we will win a beautiful life,
if not for ourselves then for our children"
–Madame Binh

ABORTION



She is fifteen years old, Lord, and she's pregnant.
She is only a high school sophomore.
Just a few years ago she played with dolls.
She smiles at me. She is relaxed and quiet.
She says that she doesn't want to bother the boy
and that she is not especially upset.
She smiles again.
She says that there are more important things.
Really, Lord, she is terrified.
Why does she wear this mask?
Help this little girl, Lord.

Sisters ~

An illegal abortion involves risking your physical and mental well being and wasting vast amounts of time and bread, or scar you with possible emotional hang-ups, disease, infection, sterility and death.

In many respects I was lucky - I had an illegal abortion which did me little harm. The three months I was pregnant were times for decision, evaluation, and realization. They were three months of hell.

In the fall of my senior year in high school I needless to say, got knocked-up. A while later the inevitable symptoms appeared: morning sickness, tension, and really poor coordination. In a peroid of one month I fell down various flights of stairs six times.

To reassure myself and confirm my suspected pregnancy I went to Open City's clinic, waited hours, and was then told that the preg testing equipment had been lost. The doctor told me I was probably pregnant, and to start pre-natal care. And not to worry

My worries had just begun. When I told the guy - he split within a few hours. He ripped off with some of my records and money. And all I really wanted from him was care.

A strange thing happens to your head when you're faced with an unwanted pregnancy. Fear of rejection, from parents and friends - accompanied by - panic, what to do? And yet a certain disbelief. . . it's hard to realize that you have an obstacle blocking all your dreams. There is too, a good feeling - that you have created a life. I loved my baby.

My friends proved to love and care for me - they did so much. I'm really grateful. . . they offered help in so many different ways. They talked with me took me to see friends of theirs who had children or abortions For two months they listened to the thoughts I'd had on my baby, and what my plans were. In a lot of ways, they showed to me realistic solutions - pathways to follow.

Since both marriage and suicide were too harsh to take and my parents said I couldn't keep the baby I decided on the abortion as the most reasonable action to take.

My parents were worried - and made an appointment for me with my mothers gynecologist. I couldn't tell her. I want to say - "Mom, I'm pregnant - I'm okay, and I love you." Just couldn't. The ride to the doctors was an ordeal because I didn't know how I felt or what I wanted to do.

The doctor didn't help at all. A cold look, and "Yep, you're pregnant - about 3 months." That was it, until I cried and tried to tell my mom.

Her reaction was sad and frightened and she cried a little. She also said the stereotyped, "your fathers' going to kill you." And later still in the doctors office "what are we going to do?"

My dad wasn't angry, but couldn't look at me without his eyes screaming out the hurt I caused him. For my younger sister and brother we acted together. Acadamy Award Winners.

Almost immediatly my parents found out about the Michigan Clergy for Problem Pregnancies. I was counciled there on what to do about my problem pregnancy. They gave me these alternatives; get married, have the kid and give it away; keep it, chance a miscarriage, have an abortion, kill myself.

It was a big decision, abortions were still illegal everywhere (without all the bullshit about mental and physical well-being of the mother.) I envisioned myself and my child living a beautiful life together until, I remembered that I wouldn't have graduated from high school, that I had no job or money and no where to go.

The longer I thought about the abortion - it became the only way out. The deciding factor was that my younger sister and brother and I were really close - and it would be too much for there sensitive heads to take.

The decision to carry through with an illegal abortion was finalized as we called a Chicago doctor and made an appointment.

Two days later my mom and I flew to the windy city, checked into a hotel and awaited the morning for my abortion.

We were instructed to call early in the morning to confirm the place we were to meet. We called but no one answered. Both of us were seized with panic - was this all a farce? We tried for a half hour with no success, frightened at what could have gone wrong. He could have been busted, or a million other things. Finally they answered, much to out relief, and told us what to do.

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We waited - and we joined by about ten other women. After a while, I guess about 20 minutes. We were all picked up and taken to a small, unimpressive brick house, with a basement converted into a small hospital with a lobby, operating, and recovery room.

All together we numbered sixteen. Our ages varied for 14 to 35. There was a window, a couple college students, high school students and bussiness chics. One girl hitch-hiked, another came with a carload of freaks, some flew, some bussed. We were different people - with a common bond. Everyone was friendly and scared.

The docotor was far-out. He spoke to us for an hour, told us the proceedure - exactly what is involved in a Dilation and Curettage, and what to do later, after the abortion. He also told us the reasons why he risked his job as head OB of a large Chicagian hospital to perform illegal abortions. He once turned away a sixteen year old girl - who killed herself. He couldn't stand the thought of that happening repeatedly and he said we were beautiful.

They then gave us a shot for relaxation and distributed packets of codine and antibiodics. And we paid them. I was 13 weeks pregnant - the cost was $1,000.

I was third in line. The first woman had had a child, and felt little pain - only cramping - form the abortion. The second was still in the little recovery room

Since I was pretty much incoherent by now, the recollections I have of the operation are dimmed. I remember the nurse holding my hand, telling me what was happening, asking me about my family, and feeding me ice cubes. I remember the clanging of metal, pain - and the doctor putting his hands on mine and saying, "it's all over, you're going to be okay." And the emotion, the relief, flooding me. Tears, along with the release of three months of hell.

I walked into the recovery room and got dressed. My mom helped - and she was just as relieved as I. I threw- up alot and sat, dazed, happy, sad, and sore, for a half hour or more.

Then, after two and half hours, which seemed a hell of a lot longer, we took a cab back to the hotel. I slept until we left for the airport - to go home.

I awoke, and the codine had worn off. I thought I was dying.

And a week and a half later, I was back in school - telling everyone I was out with the flu.

That's it.

I really gained from the abortion - I learned about myself, grew-up in a hurry, learned that people loved me, my parents and my friends. I realized that I was ambitious and that I could make it - or at least, try. I learned that I am myself.

From my experience I also learned that no sister should be subjected to - fucking-up her life by having a butchering abortionist, and not having the money to fly to New York or Chicago.

Protect yourself - March in Lansing March 13, repeal the Michigan Abortion Laws

-Diane

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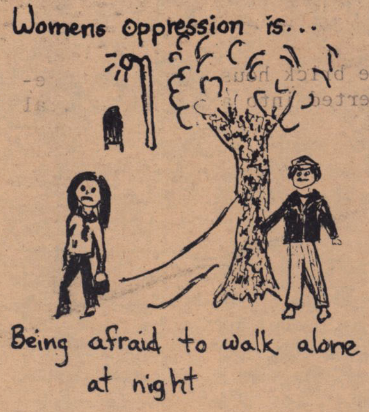

Womens oppression is...
Being afraid to walk alone at night

Defend Yourself!

When living in a world such as ours -- That is, in a male-dominated world - where men have destroyed one another through wars and hatred, it is becoming increasingly evident that women must defend herself against the brutalities and lusts of men in order to survive.

Rape is just one such lust of some men she must defend herself against. On many occasions, rape victims succumb to their assailant because of the lack of confidence to defend themselves even if the attacker is a scrawny little punk. Usually, there is no one to protect her. She is on her own to fend for herself.

In a recent Speak-Out on Rape, organized by the Radical Feminists in New York about a month ago, some 300 women heard 30 or 40 accounts of rape. There were many varied stories given and it was revealed that rapists come in many disguises. One woman reported that she was raped by her analyst. She said that when she was eighteen, she was told by the analyst that her problem was an inactive sex life. (she had a strict Roman Catholic background.) She attempted suicide five different times after sleeping with the quantity of men he prescribed. Obviously his therapy wasn't working because she wanted to kill herself. When she confronted him with her predicament his reply was, "But you're still living, Baby."

Other daytime disguises mentioned-were rapists who ring doorbells, (magazine salesmen, western union messengers or telephone- repairmen.)

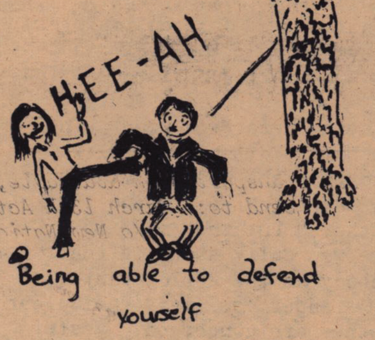
In some cases women felt that they couldn't or shouldn't protest. Authorities estimate that only one third of rapes and rape attempts are reported. The reason given was that the woman feels, or is made to feel like the criminal. (Just as the prostitute is arrested while her male customer goes free.) The conditioning is there long before a rape victim - one who dares to report it is confronted by police attitudes. This is just one offshoot of a male-dominated society, where the woman is given a submissive role - indoctrination her to believe she must submit herself to man's every wish.

Police attitudes and reactions described at the speak-out were: disbelief, ridicule, or just plain lack of interest. Especially if she was not pretty, the report was dismissed as just another fantasy of the sex-starved female. One woman was asked by the detective if the rapest had a climax.

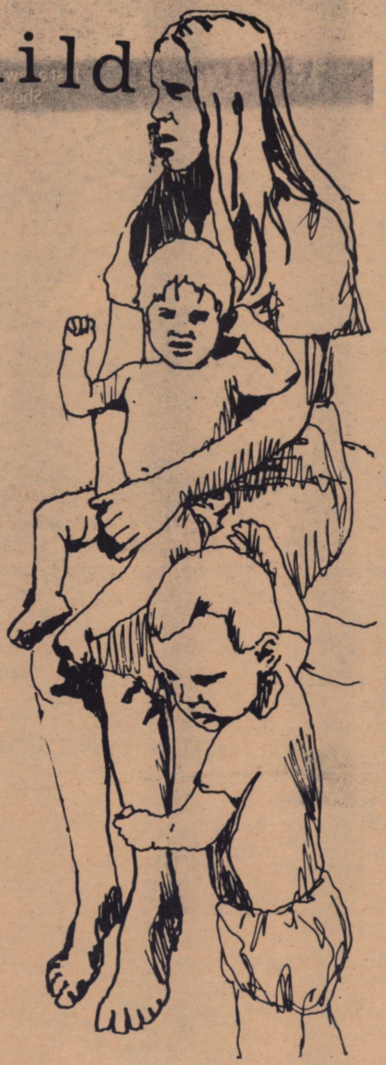
A detective from New York explained that "To establish a crime of rape is very, very difficult. The woman goes all through the humiliation of taking him to court. Usually the judge will throw out the case for lack of corroboration testemony. That means you just about have to have a witness present during the crime. Its terrible."

One woman, and only one, said at the speak-out that she fought back. She screamed and he fled from the alley but she chased after him with the first object she could find. She hit him on the head with it and he fell to the ground, after which she kicked him in the balls. A woman standing on a corner called her a "drug-crazed hippie" and told her to leave the "poor old man" alone. The assumption being that the woman is the criminal The man was taken to the hospital and the girl was finger printed and told not to leave the state because if the man died, the police said, it would be manslaughter, not self-defense. At the end of her account she proclaimed, "The gun is taken from the murderer, the bottle taken from the alcoholic, the needle from the addict. Why isn't the weapon taken from the rapist."

Now what must happen now is that women everywhere must find a way in which to protect herself. Either carry a screwdriver, a hatpin, or even a can of hair spray which is very effective when sprayed in the eyes. Alot of women carry cans of pepper spray dispensers. Others have taken up karate lessons, but whatever the case - be prepared to defend yourself against evils in this society - most of which have to do with men. SISTER UNITE!


Women's liberation is...
HEE-AH
Being able to defend yourself

Child CARE CENTERS



What: A day care center is a combination of people in the community working together and a place to work. It's where women can bring their children to be watched and supervised by trained people.

Why: The existence of a day care center allows a woman with children to work, go to school, or do anything else she wants to do with the knowledge that her children are being well cared for. This freedom of movement is not only beneficient to the woman on a personal level, but also expands the role of the woman in society. She is no longer caught in the position of housewife and mother.

For women employed by the university, a center gives her children a comfortable place to stay while she works without the inconvience and expense of a babysitter. As for the woman in married housing, it frees her from the grip of the home so that she may work or continue school, luxeries for her now with her baby.

How: The campus community and employees working with the cooperation of the university Student teachers, recieving credit could man the operation with volunteers. A place - a vacant commons room in a dorm or large room in a class building, with the facilities at Warner Gymnasium or the small park across from Buell at hand is all that's needed.

When: It's already to late.

WE WANT IT NOW!!

FUCK FOR YOUR SUPPER...

must i
marry,
my body,
Shall i
be the
Bride??
or Groom??
Take it to Bed?
be beside
the pain...
As a bride i
in a white nightgown
only being broken
there'd be no
breaking in...

Fuck, eat shit, or starve or any combination of the three are the only options open to most women in this so-called "free" society. Women can legally or illegally prostitute their bodies to survive, to do the shitwork that men find undesirable. Marriage is legalized prostitution, a dehumanizing institution in which women sell themselves into slavery to be subservient to their husbands in exchange for a place to live - to survive.

Women are forced into marriage because of the basis of our economy, which is male dominated. Sixty per cent of all women make less than $5,000/yr. compared to 20% of all men and these are unmarried women! Married women depend on the male breadwinner to support them.

Marriage perpetrates women's oppression. From childhood we are taught to play house with dolls and to cook dinner for daddy or to love and cherish and baby the male ego, to compete with our sisters to gain male affection and to hate each other.

Daddy used to pat me on the head and kiss me on the cheek and tell me I was a sweet little girl--now it is a pat on the ass for a job well done.

Economically men gain from marriage by having an unpaid lover and maid and Capitolism gains by exploiting already alienated women as as consumers.

I grew up watching beautifying commercials, trying to be the lady on the screen, in fashion and my biggest fear was to be alone. I always needed a man to give me the security that I belonged. Socially unmarried women aren't normal. The thought of spinisterdom strikes terror in the heart and minds of millions of women, that have been brainwashed into believing

What choice are we given Sisters?? From childhood we depend on a man daddy to care for us--he is the head of the house and then we march down the aisle into slavery, promising to love, cherish, wait on, care for, cook dinner for, wash dishes, do laundry, etc...

It is time to stop fucking for your supper sisters!! WE demand economic opportunity for all women! WE want the opportunity to work the same jobs as men for the same pay. If women are taught to be confident and strong, instead of subservient then we can work equally. Women can't get equal jobs, because they are still property, slaves of their overlord the male ego!! There is no place in our society for the single working woman with children.

Fucked over again sisters, and again and again until we can free all sisters and brothers everywhere.

We aren't going to celebrate marriage rituals of death, but our lives will be filled with life festivals!! We must promise to each other to destroy the forces that rape our minds and bodies, to destroy the institution of marriage and capitolism!!! To break apart the nuclear family and to start living collectively with each other sharing everything, working together to build the strength of all women and men to become FREE human beings!!!

they must marry and have a family, dedicating their lives to o one person. The Nuclear family is so lonely...our society teaches us to dedicate our lives to private property. Actually no one person can satisfy all on anyone's needs.

The nuclear family is our first orientation into this society. This situation defines our roles and builds the hierarchy that our society is based upon, the subsevient mother, the father bringing home the money, and the two little kids, quietly being mentally raped!! The girls get dolls and the boys get toy soldiers , inititating the roles these kids will become. Collective living destroys the nuclear family. Everyone lives together, there is no competition or roles. Women and men share equally in all work--desirable or undesirable. seeking out the Romantic dreams they watched on television or read about in *True Romance* comics. The white gowns and lace veils, gold wedding bands, that go round and round going nowhere, except into slavery and working your ass to satisfy someone else.

WET-DREAM MUSIC

I put on some albums the other night, but instead of picking up a magazine or turning up the bass and dancing, I sat down on the floor with my ear next to one of the speakers and I listened. I went through Dylan, early, middle, and late Stones, C.C.R., Led Zeppelin, Jimi Hendrix, Steppenwolf, and the rest...and I became more and more upset by the hour.

When we women buy rock albums, we are subsidizing a bunch of egotistical men for recording their post-pubescent wet dreams, and we are the unwitting victims. In the male fantasy land of Rock, women have no minds nor wills of our own; we're just ever-obliging pieces of ass. This is the view of women we're encouraging with our cash: Steppenwolf sings "I'm your hootchie-kootchie man....I'm going to grab them by their (pause, evil snicker) hair." And in another number: "Let it hang out, baby, Sookie Sookie Soo!" Aretha Franklin isn't the only woman with a "Respect" problem.

I hate to criticize Jimi Hendrix since he isn't around to defend himself, but how can we defend ourselves against the kind of thinking that allows this statement: "I've made up my mind. I'm tired of wasting my precious time. You've got to be mine, all mine, Foxy Lady! I'm coming to get you!" Note the interesting decision-making processes here. The Stones, in a similar vein, go so far as to sing, "I'm going to tell you how it's going to be; you're going to give your love to me." And on the AM stations we hear "hey, little woman, please make up your mind. You've got to come into my world and leave your world behind." Not only is his tone condescending, but also he's trying to make her give up her personhood, something few women ever manage to acquire, much less keep.

Consider Led Zeppelin, that great penis in the sky, as they sing "Living, Loving Maid" (subtitled "She's Just A Woman") or the charming "Lemon Song" (no, not "Lemon Tree, very pretty"... this one goes "Squeeze my lemon, baby, 'til the juice runs down my leg...").

Meanwhile, Jim Morrison implores us, "light my fire." The Cream wants to "give you my dull surprise." Dylan sings "Lay, Lady, Lay" and "Tonight I'll Be Staying Here With You." The Honky-Tonk Woman, Mick says, "Blew my nose and then she blew my mind." The Stones suggest "Let's Spend The Night Together," but they make it clear where we really stand in that quote; "nobody in the world" wants "yesterday's paper" or (it's equivalent as far as they are concerned) "yesterday's girl."

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WET DREAM MUSIC CONT...

Please don't infer from all of this that I am against sex, or even that I am embarrassed or offended by explicit representation of sex. Neither is the case! What I do object to is the view that women are sexual objects, identity-less ourselves, on earth only to serve others (men and children). "They may be stupid, but they sure are fun!" as someone puts it in the current AM hit "Leroy, Boy, We Gotta Get You A Woman."

Now, we all know that some women get "uppity" every once in a while; they refuse to bend to fit the stereotypes. Yes, this happens even in the fantasy land of Rock.

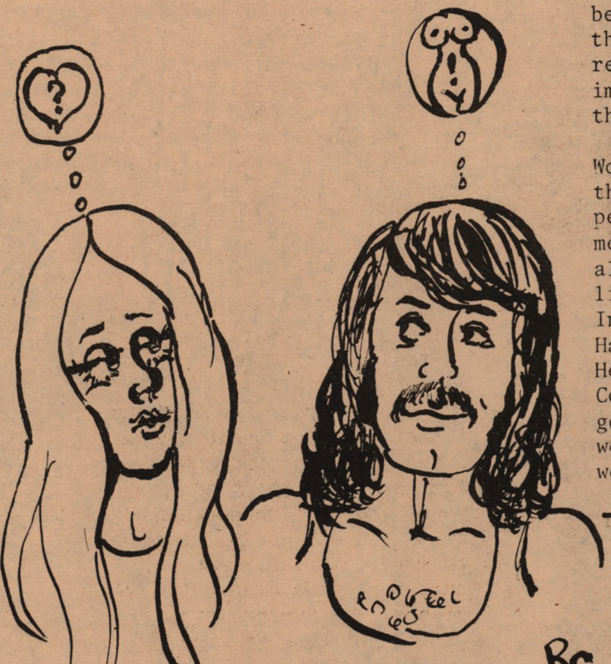
Steppenwolf warns us lest we fall into the same trap as a certain woman of his acquaintence. "She tries too hard. She comes on too strong. She doesn't know why she's everybody's next one. She must realize that to keep one her ways have to change some. You see, men feel threatened by this sort of thing.

The Stones have handled this situation, though. There had been a problem with a certain woman who "had just had her way," but now, happily, "a change has come. I've got her under my thumb. It's alright! It's alright!" All right for whom? we must ask.

Of course, some women are harder for Mick to handle. What if there were a smart woman, one who knew how to handle herself --"cool, calm, and collected"? Why, you'd call her "affected" and tell the other guys that "this one's teeth are ready sharpened to bite." Call her a castrating woman.

Of course, Jimi Hendrix's friend Joe simply shoots his "old lady" for "messin' roun' town." But it is Dylan's treatment of uppity women that is the most painful to those of us who want to break out of the tight roles which have heretofore defined women's existence. He says "Nobody has to guess that baby can't be blessed 'til she finally sees that she's just like all the rest." If this is true, if it is impossible to be different, then there is no hope.

But the existence of the Women's Liberation Movement means that a significant number of people do believe that women (and men!) can escape from traditional roles and lead more fulfilling lives. What must we do? In the immortal words of Wilbur Harris, as immortalized by Canned Heat: "Let's work together. Come on, come on, let's work together, people. Now, together we will stand, every boy, girl, woman, and man!"



I'd Rather Do It Myself

In early infancy we were taught that certain parts of our body were "dirty" and not to be touched unless we were cleaning them. We acquired a repugnance for our excrement from this teaching and as a result associated these parts of the body with such functions. The genital area was a no-no; talking about it was in hushed tones of secrecy, in private, as was undressing and if we were caught playing with ourselves it was a "sin" and we were told all these bad things about it, given a guilt complex about having natural curiosity of our own bodies. Our questions about sex were either ignored and left unanswered or it was said that we were too young to know of such things yet.

When we were old enough to play "doctor" with other kids or if we had a brother (or sisters), we found out that our bodies were different from one anothers, and our parents could no longer evade the issue. It was then that they laid the birds n' bees rap on us which we didn't really understand or relate to. Sex was something that married people did and we weren't even supposed to think about it, much less do anything with these parts of us that were for reproduction only.

As we grew up we heard all sorts of things that confused us and saw mostly from our friends out in the streets and in the movies or books that were "adults only". We got hip to the fact that women and and men got pleasure from the sexual act called fucking, (a word that was offensive to our parents and high class honkies) that they engaged in unmarried as well. We started to wonder what it was really all about and later became interested in boys. But we were "hung up", afraid of what would happen if we were caught doing something that was wrong.

This fear later was added to the fear of getting pregnant and of contracting venereal disease.

Meanwhile we're going through changes with boys, now that we're dating. What are those mixed emotions we have when they kiss us? What is that feeling we get when they touch us there? What do we do when they say that we're frigid and square not to pet and then call us cock teasers if we do? What if we love someone and they say they love us and that makes it right and so we go all the way because they want us to and we think maybe it'll keep us from losing them? What if we got in trouble? What if we became attracted to men and turned-on and got a bad reputation? What if we were horny but didn't want to get involved with anybody? What if we were fucking more and enjoying it less with a number of cats to whom we were nothing but a piece of ass, but we dug?

These are but a few things that have come to my mind at one time or another as a woman, and I'm sure we all have had similar thoughts. But perhaps I am different in one or two ways - I started masturbating when I was a baby and balled at 12. I discovered the good sensation by accident and ever since age one or two I have done it regularly. I used to hide by myself and do it, and as I remember, worrying whether or not I was abnormal and it was harmful. These ideas could only have been put in my head by other people. If you leave a baby alone she will invariably handle herself openly without any repression or guiltiness.

I screwed for the first time with a guy that I believed myself to be in love with. After much personal experience, I have come to the conclusion that what sex meant to me was demonstrating my love for someone physically, proving to him that I cared for him the only way I knew how to show him. Sex I always connected with warmth and affection; the sure way to get male attention and feel wanted and secure. I common law-married at 15 for a year. Prior to that I'd had fairly frequent relations. Afterwards it took a few more affairs before I began to see that I was just being used as a play toy. At present I am an independent proud secure female who does not need men to make me feel like all the woman I am. My body is not for their gratification, but for the complete mutual satifaction that can only come with shared love for each other. I can't get into just balling for the sake of balling anymore - it leaves me cold, no matter how hot for it I am while we're doing it. Afterwards it is the same old empty lonliness. Masturbation gives me relief and an outlet for sexual tensions. Sure it'll never replace the real thing, but I don't term fucking some dude who isn't even good in bed and is only concerned with getting his rocks off and/or doesn't even look at you as a person, but a choice cut of meat. Once you have had a good thing with someone you can appreciate it and don't want to settle for slam-bam-thank you-ma'm or reduce yourself to a piece of ass. Until someone comes along who can fulfill me as a whole woman I'd rather do it myself!

By Robin

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> Little girl of all the daughters, you
> were born a woman, not a slave –
>
> -Laura Nyro-

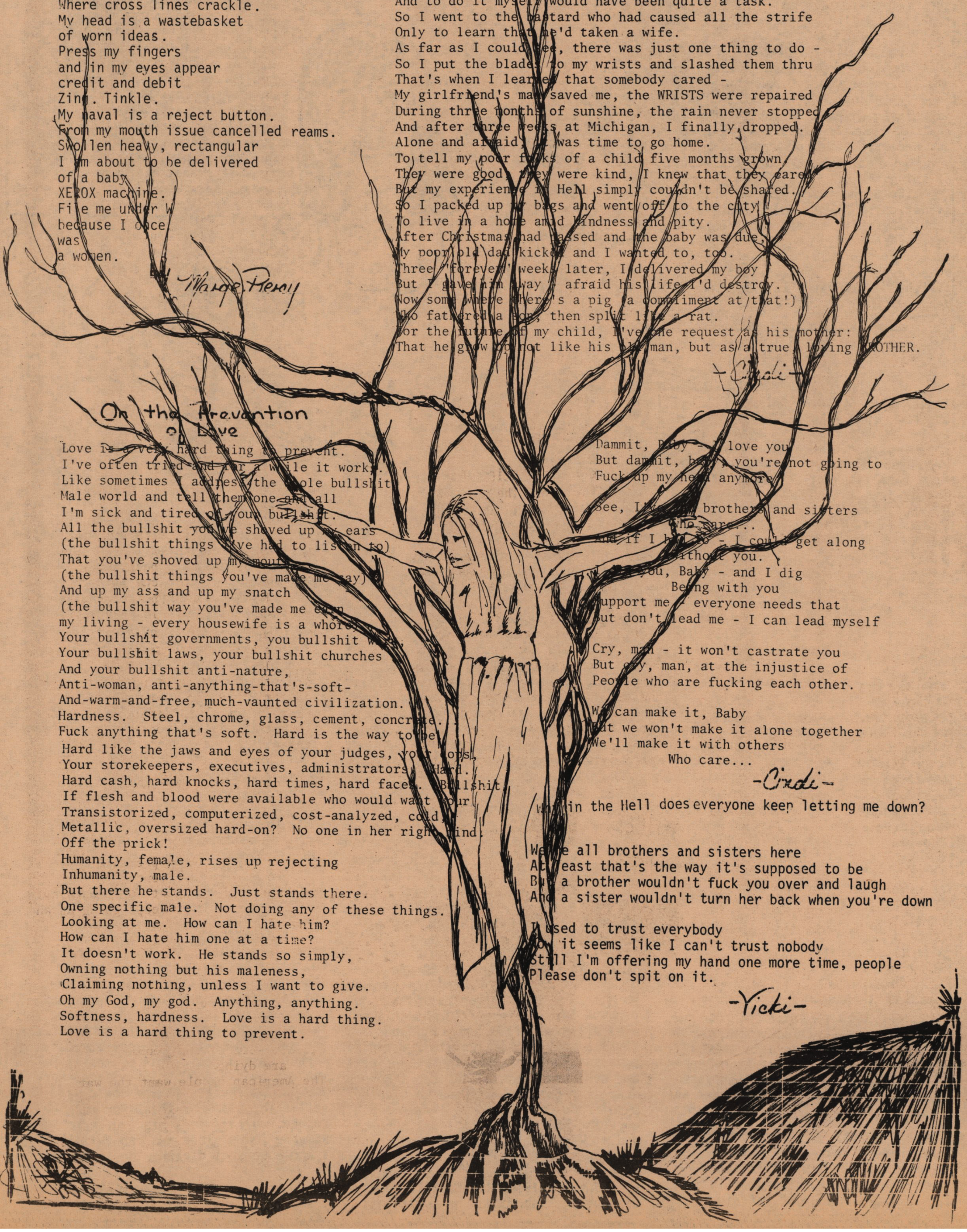
Metamorphosis into Bureaucrat

My hips are a desk.
From my ears hang paper clips.
Rubber bands form my hair.
My Breasts are wells of mimeograph ink.
My feet bear casters.
Buzz. Click.
My head
is a badly organized file.
My head is a switchboard
Where cross lines crackle.
My head is a wastebasket
of worn ideas.
Press my fingers
and in my eyes appear
credit and debit
Zing. Tinkle.
My naval is a reject button.
From my mouth issue cancelled reams.
Swollen heavy, rectangular
I am about to be delivered
of a baby
XEROX machine.
File me under W
because I once
was
a women.

Marge Piercy

A senior in High School - a super-straight chick,
At the age of seventeen, knocked up by a prick.
At first, you know, sisters, it was all just a game.
I didn't believe it, I wasn't ashamed.
When it finally hit me, I felt so alone
But it was too late, man, the seed had been sown.
I thought of abortion but knew no one to ask
And to do it myself would have been quite a task.
So I went to the bastard who had caused all the strife
Only to learn that he'd taken a wife.
As far as I could see, there was just one thing to do -
So I put the blades to my wrists and slashed them thru
That's when I learned that somebody cared -
My girlfriend's man saved me, the WRISTS were repaired
During three months of sunshine, the rain never stopped.
And after three weeks at Michigan, I finally dropped.
Alone and afraid, it was time to go home.
To tell my poor folks of a child five months grown,
They were good, they were kind, I knew that they cared
But my experience in Hell simply couldn't be shared.
So I packed up my bags and went off to the city
To live in a home amid kindness and pity.
After Christmas had passed and the baby was due,
My poor old dad kicked and I wanted to, too.
Three "forever" weeks later, I delivered my boy
But I gave him away - afraid his life I'd destroy.
Now somewhere there's a pig (a compliment at that!)
Who fathered a son, then split like a rat.
For the future of my child, I've one request as his mother:
That he grow up not like his old man, but as a true, loving BROTHER.

-Cindi-



On the Prevention of Love

Love is a very hard thing to prevent.
I've often tried and for a while it works.
Like sometimes I address the whole bullshit
Male world and tell them one and all
I'm sick and tired of your bullshit.
All the bullshit you've shoved up my ears
(the bullshit things I've had to listen to)
That you've shoved up my mouth
(the bullshit things you've made me say)
And up my ass and up my snatch
(the bullshit way you've made me earn
my living - every housewife is a whore)
Your bullshit governments, you bullshit wars,
Your bullshit laws, your bullshit churches
And your bullshit anti-nature,
Anti-woman, anti-anything-that's-soft-
And-warm-and-free, much-vaunted civilization.
Hardness. Steel, chrome, glass, cement, concrete.
Fuck anything that's soft. Hard is the way to be.
Hard like the jaws and eyes of your judges, your cops,
Your storekeepers, executives, administrators. Hard.
Hard cash, hard knocks, hard times, hard faces. Bullshit.
If flesh and blood were available who would want your
Transistorized, computerized, cost-analyzed, cold,
Metallic, oversized hard-on? No one in her right mind.
Off the prick!
Humanity, female, rises up rejecting
Inhumanity, male.
But there he stands. Just stands there.
One specific male. Not doing any of these things.
Looking at me. How can I hate him?
How can I hate him one at a time?
It doesn't work. He stands so simply,
Owning nothing but his maleness,
Claiming nothing, unless I want to give.
Oh my God, my god. Anything, anything.
Softness, hardness. Love is a hard thing.
Love is a hard thing to prevent.

Dammit, Baby - I love you
But dammit, baby, you're not going to
Fuck up my head anymore

See, I've got brothers and sisters
Who care...
And if I had to - I could get along
without you.
I love you, Baby - and I dig
Being with you
Support me - everyone needs that
But don't lead me - I can lead myself

Cry, man - it won't castrate you
But cry, man, at the injustice of
People who are fucking each other.

We can make it, Baby
But we won't make it alone together
We'll make it with others
Who care...

-Cindi-

Why in the Hell does everyone keep letting me down?

We're all brothers and sisters here
At least that's the way it's supposed to be
But a brother wouldn't fuck you over and laugh
And a sister wouldn't turn her back when you're down

I used to trust everybody
Now it seems like I can't trust nobody
Still I'm offering my hand one more time, people
Please don't spit on it.

-Vicki-

HE VIETNAMESE

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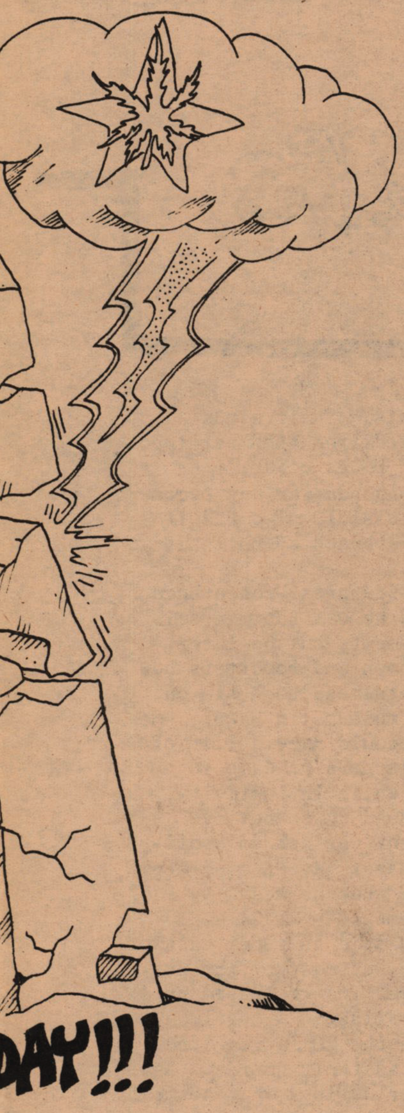

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As a result of the cultural and ecological devastation of Vietnam, city people who have never before related to the NLF or the PRG are rising up. Students from Saigon University have been attacking US Army trucks with firebombs. Buddhist and women's groups have been marching for peace in the cities. Saigon Army veterans have been marching against the Thieu-Ky-Khiem regime, protesting inflation and the taking away of their meager pensions. The repression against these people has been heavy. There are 200,000 political prisoners in South Vietnam, many of whom are imprisoned in the "tiger cages" of Con Son Island and other Saigon dungeons. The president of the Saigon University student body is a political prisoner. Thieu's secret pigs are everywhere. This repression has not stopped the movement in the cities, however,

Last October over 1000 students, women, workers, politicians, and religious leaders held a secret convention (that is, secret to the Saigon pigs at the time) where they formed the Popular Front for the Defense of Peace. In November they issued a 10-point program which called for the withdrawal of all US troops, overthrow of the Thieu-Ky-Khiem government, and a democratically-elected coalition government.

These events indicate a new stage in the war. The war seemed to be winding down as US troops began to leave the countryside to allow it to be devastated by US planes. Since the failure of the Cambodian invasion, US troops have been engaged in relatively few infantry battles. But the increasing use of US troops to control rioting in the cities has shown that the war is not by any means over. The movement in the cities is growing very rapidly as more and more Vietnamese see that their land and culture are being wiped out. These people are very desperate, for if the American automated destruction of Vietnam is not stopped very soon, whether they win or lose will be only an academic question. It is from an understanding of this situation that the May actions in Washington have been called.

In May in Vietnam, the rainy season begins and American technology gets bogged down. A major offensive in Vietnam and in America at the same time can create a crisis that will force Nixon to withdraw. In Vietnam this offensive will start in May and last through the summer and the fall. May in Washington will be the start of a similar anti-war offensive at home.

Plans for May are being made by many groups. Because of the various groups who will participating in the May actions there are some conflicting plans. There are no serious differences, however, and when you are in Washington remember to do what you're into, but don't fuck anybody else up, except of course Nixon and the government.

So far some people are busy trying to get some land outside of Washington so that on May 1 and May 2 there will probably be a celebration of revolutionary culture. Also planned on May 2 is a rally presenting the People's Peace Treaty to the government. An May 3 and May 4, tentative plans are being made to take the peace treaty around to various government buildings. May 4 is one year after Kent State, and there has been talk of some sort of "Remember Kent State and Jackson State" action. Also on May 3 and 4 people have been talking about street dances at night.

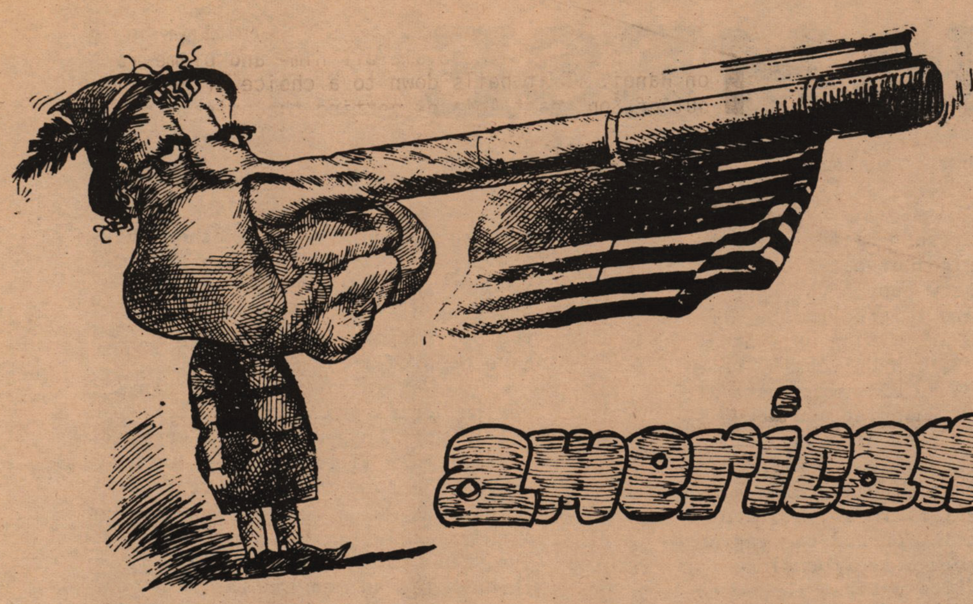
May 5 is when the government gets shut down. It is very likely that hundreds of thousands of people will sit in around Congress and block off streets, bridges, and other government buildings. So far May 6 and 7 are not together. Further information will be out in Ypsi as soon as it comes.

YANKEES
GO HOMB

WAR

They're fighting over nuthin'
in Vietnam
Nixon, he said, he was going to
stop the war
But he didn't
Or else why did they pick him
to be the president
He's just talkin', not doin' nuthing.
And the war it just keeps going on and on
Nixon don't try to stop the war
He's afraid to stop the war
he don't know how.
The guys in the war want the war
to stop
But whose to stop it?
The Vietnamese wants to stop
the war too
because some of the people
are dying
The American people want the war
to stop
because some of their sons are
dying
If I have to get drafted, my
mom is going to send me to Canada.

two 4th graders



Nixon's Pa american POWs

Well, folks, Tricky Dick is running out of excuses to get people to support his escapades in Indochina. His newest plan is to divert attention from what the US is doing by accusing the North Vietnamese of abusing and torturing the American prisoners of war.

Don't be fooled by all that shit. It's just another part of the government's propaganda play to keep the American people from finding out the real truth: The United States is practicing genocide in Southeast Asia.

Where's The Facts?

The US has been trying desperately for over five years to raise the issue of inhumane treatment of American prisoners of war. Their main problem: THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GATHER ANY EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THEIR INANE ACCUSATIONS. In fact, they've even *covered up* evidence which proves otherwise.

Even Released Pilots Can't Help the Death Machine...

In 1968 Hanoi released six American pilots. The government tried and tried and tried to gather evidence from these men to prove that the North Vietnamese are fucking over American POW's. But all they could come up with was that the pilots complained of being bored and demoralized--not physically abused.

...But the Death Machine Still Has People Puppets

Finally, in August of 1969, two more pilots were released by Hanoi. They were Navy Lieutenant Robert Frishman and another seaman, Douglas B. Hegedahl.

Frishman and Hegedahl both came out with strong statements claiming abuse and torture at the hands of the North Vietnamese. The government put its POW propaganda war into operation.

At his first press conference in September 1969, Frishman testified that life as a POW was an "ordeal of horror." He said he received poor treatment of his wounds, only two skimpy meals a day, and he was forces to confess against his will. (Just as a thought, we'd like to mention that the US never arranged for a press conference after the release of the six pilots in 1968. Remember, they never admitted any "torture at the hands of the enemy." Did the US try to keep *their* testimony out of the papers?)

He also spoke of the torture of another POW, Commander Robert Stratton. This is the account in Frishman's words: "He's been tied up with ropes to such a degree that he still has large scars on his arms from rope burns which became infected. He was deprived of sleep, beaten, had his fingernails removed, and was put in solitary...."

The other pilot, Hegedahl, testified along with Frishman that he had lost 60 pounds and had been kept in solitary confinement for more than a year during his 16 months of captivity.

Frishman and Hegedahl became the Administration's key figures in a major propaganda war to rally the people to supportt the American POW's and in Melvin Laird's words "deflect some of the heat" of the war from the US to the North Vietnamese.

And They Decide to Get Some More People to Spread Their Lies

The government's next step was to mobilize the wives and parents of American prisoners of war to spread the big lie and get people to sympathize with them and their families for having to bear the burden of raising families without any fathers around.

Frishman went on tour in 1969 and 1970, speaking in major cities, while thegovernment "briefed" wives on treatment given to POW's.

An office was set up in Washington to coordinate large-scale petition drives to rally the sympathy of the American people. Wives and mothers went on extensive speaking tours armed with petitions, Frishman's testimony, and other evidence to heighten public opinion against Hanoi. Millions of people signed petitions appealing to international agencies to investigate POW conditions in North Vietnam.

The Administration's campaign was off to a very good start. Their big game was paying off. People in this country started becoming distressed aobut the inhumanity of the "communists." Their minds became diverted from the most important issue of US genocide.

The propaganda war was becoming very successful. Too bad it was based on a bunch of bullshit evidence!

At the 1969 press conference Frishman said he was kept in solitary confinement, but he later told congressmen and reporters how the North Vietnamese took him on trips to the museums in Hanoi. He also said he could name a list of about 300 prisoners he came in contact with while in captivity, which would lead us to believe his confinement was not so "solitary." (He never gave a concrete definition of what he meant by "solitary confinement."

Frishman said he received two skimpy meals, yet most of the evidence received from released prisoners *before* Frishman's testimony revealed that the POW's received as much food as their guards. Again, Frishman never defined what he meant by "skimpy." It should also be mentioned that Frishman was kept in captivity when the supply of food to civilians and prisoners of war alike was cut because of increased bombing attacks into North Vietnam by the United States, which greatly affected the economy.

He also said he witneseed the torture of other POW's. Seymour Hersh, the reporter who broke the My Lai massacre story, interviewed Frishman in 1970. When asked about Commander Stratton's torture at the hands of the enemy, Frishman was evasive.

> "Inever said fingernails were pulled out of Stratton. I never said he lost fingernails...I prefer to keep off tortures. If people want to keep off tortures, that's okay. I don't care if you write about it..."

And, what about the systematic physical abuse? Frishman told Hersh:

> The men released prior to my time had only been up there for a short period of time. Their treatment, as they said, was not all that bad. I had much more knowledge than other prisoners Now for the first time, they (the Pentagon) had tangible, concrete evidence of what things were really like."

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Newest WIN:

I"ve gone full circle on it - the war and the situation in Southeast Asia. It seems to me that Nixon's making a big to-do about the prisoners, but he feels if he hollers enough, and makes a big stink he can get the blame off him- and blame it on Hanoi. If it boils down to a choice of getting out of Southeast Asia or getting the prisoners out of Hanoi, I'd hesitate to say which choice he'd make- "

Mrs. Gerry Gartley, mother of American POW

Many POWs families who used to swallow our government's lies are now denouncing the government's POW issue as a political gamedesigned to stall fro time. They join with many others who are finally seeing thru the U.S. bullshit.

Hegedahl's testimony was as equally full of holes. A few days after the '69 press conference, he explained why he had lost sixty pounds-the North Vietnamese took away his roommate so he went on a hunger strike! Hegedahl himself admitted his food would have been adequate if he had eaten what he was given! (The North Vietnamese later gave him back his roommate.)

Late in 1970, P.O.W. families started getting fed up with some of the shit the government was pulling. An anti-war group in New York set up communication through which P.O.W. families could correspond with their sons and husbands.

Some families started wondering why they were getting no reply. Hanoi kept sending information that many of the P.O.W.'s believed to be alive were killed. Even top government officials admitted privately that there weren't more than 400 P.O.W.'s in North Vietnam led over 700 P.O.W. families on to believe that their sons or husbands were still alive. Even when Hanoi confirmed the death of Americans "allegedly missing in action", the U.S. refused to relist them as dead.

The negotiators from Hanoi jumped on Nixon's game. They offered to discuss the release of American P.O.W.'s as soon as Nixon set a date for withdrawal.

Although it was overlooked by the mass media, the wives and mothers appealed to Nixon to set a date for withdrawal. No reply came.

They started doubting Nixon's intentions. It started becoming clear to them that Nixon was more interested in winning that fucking war than he was in getting the POW's released.

Unfortunately, the Nixon P.O.W. propaganda war is not the only P.O.W. problem we face. While the U.S. is pointing their fingers at the "enemy", they're doing their own SLAUGHTERING of vietnamese people who fall into their slimy hands.

Our next issue will deal with the U.S. policy of torturing their P.O.W.'s.

The evidence will not come from reporters. It will not come from newspapers. It will not come from North Vietnam war films. It will come from the ex-G.I.'s who WITNESSED AND COMMITTEDatrocities against the VIETNAMESE prisoners of war.

WE ARE NOT AT WAR AGAINST
THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE

IF THE GOVERNMENT WON'T
STOP THE WAR
WE'LL STOP THE GOVERNMENT !!!

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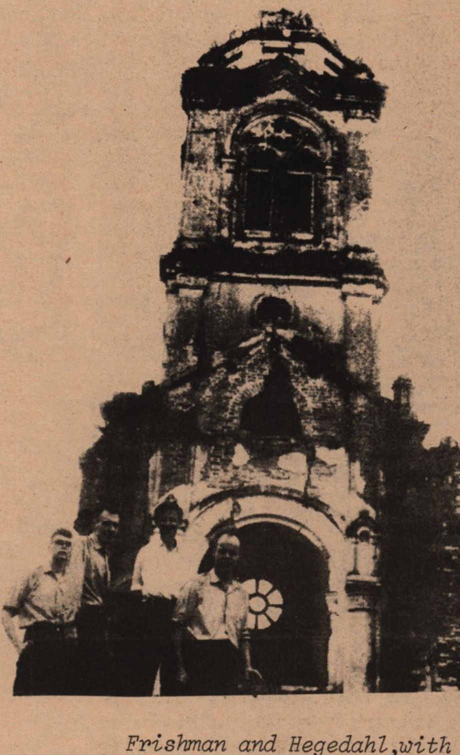

Frishman and Hegedahl,with interpreter and other prisoner in Hanoi before their release in 1969---LNS Photo

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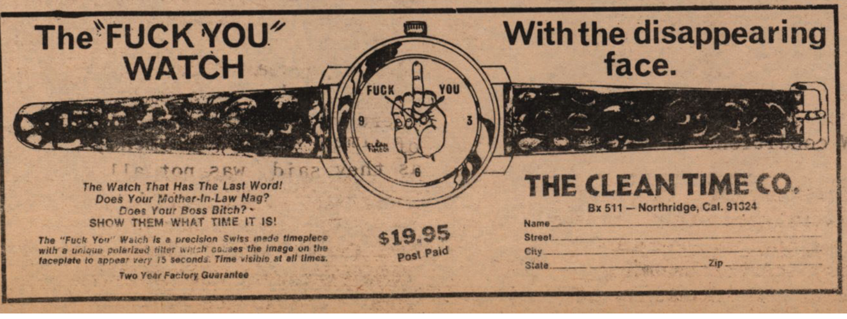
Then, put your right thumb in your left ear, and rotate on your big toe. You're probally worked up a hell 5 of an appetite by now doing all this undercover work. Well, rip the dime off your ring and put it in the nearest phone, 6 and call us for a pizza, delivered speedy and cheep. 7

1 Keep refrigerated!
2 We only made three.
3 This can be held in place with used chewing gum.
4 Any extra change you can rip off from Ma's purse, just send along to Mr. Domino, c/o this newspaper.
5 That means 'heck'.
6 Heads up or down. If it is not a pay phone, mail your dime to Mr. Domino, c/o this newspaper.
7 That's spy talk for fast and free.

The Domino People are Pizza People, Period.



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The *Second Coming* has recently learned that the main hassle had to do with brother Tim talking just a bit too much about the Weather - underground. As a result of mentioning names and places once too often to the wrong people, Leary was responsible for the need to re - organize the machine which has helped a lot of our brothers and sisters hide within and escape from pig Amerika. It was in response to Leary failing to heed brother Eldridge's criticisms that Eldridge was forced to emphasize a bit more strongly the need for Leary to get his security trip together.

Cleaver's Cosmic Bust

reprinted from
the FIFTH ESTATE

"Timothy Leary's dead. No no
no no he's outside looking in."
–Moody Blues

Zap! Tim Leary busted by Eldridge Cleaver? Strychnine in my STP, momma? Freaking out, daddy?

Yes it's true. Eldridge and fellow Panthers at the Black Panther Party (BPP) Intercommunal Office in Algiers detained Tim and Rosemary for three days last month as a way of shaking them up, to make them more serious about their roles as revolutionary citizens of our exiled liberation forces.

Racist hippie-types from coast to coast have jumped on this incident to scream about Cleaver, how he was "as bad as the pigs," how he had "no right" to bust a white freak, etc.

The day of the "bust" Cleaver made a tape, in which the following statements were included: "*. . . .(Leary) stated that he thought he should be projected as the 'Aristotle' or the 'Socrates' or the 'Sartre' of the American revolution. He seems to take himself seriously as the high priest of the revolution.*

"We do recognize the progressive role played in the past by the whole youth, drug culture in the United States. It was very useful some years ago when people rebelled against the straight-jacket rules and regulations of Babylonian society by turning away from the values and standards of that society, and by shattering to smithereens those values by getting high, freaking out. . . .things have changed since then.

"We want people to gather their wits, to sober up, and get down to the serious business of destroying the Babylonian empire.

"It has become very clear to me that there's something seriously wrong with both Dr. Leary and his wife's brains. I attribute this to the uncountable number [illegible] trips that they have [illegible]

In the course of his tape and in an interview with the Village Voice, Cleaver condemns the use of drugs except for an occasional smoke. We think that this incident shows a need to further develop the theory of youth culture. By youth culture we mean the freaking out, but not the dropping out. No one can drop out with the Man so heavy on our heads.

We cannot condemn the use of acid (if *pure*, if under the right conditions – not doing political work – *not* on the street where pigs can scramble your mind with fascist terror tactics and paranoia vibrations).

There is room for freaking out – there must be – in our art, our music, our literature – out in the country. Some pure LSD is like a clean shower, an affirmation of the Source of Life, the Earth, which gives birth to everything.

We are not saying that acid is necessary – neither is pot. Neither is inherently revolutionary. But as Cleaver says, they have made many people more aware and continue to turn young brothers and sisters away from the monstrosity of capitalist culture.

But Eldridge is right – we must be serious about revolution, we must be dedicated and strong. We must be humble, for there is so much to learn.

We must learn to love the people we are struggling with and not get caught in macho revenge trips and hatred. We must avoid egoism.

Brother Tim's mind has not been fucked by acid. From luke-warm liberal college professor to outlaw – we think acid helped him. But his ego tripping is a fault he must deal with.

We all tolerated his high priest trip because there is a soft spot in many young people's hearts for Tim and Rosemary. But he must learn seriousness (not forgetting creative madness – wasn't Fidel "crazy" for making revolution with eleven comrades in the Sierra Maestra?).

Creative madness – yes! Egotistical hippie-tripping – no!

We all must learn – we will learn. We are growing slowly – learning from our victories and mistakes.

In an interview with Michael Zwerin of the Village Voice, the two had some interesting comments to make.

Leary: Rosemary and I saw ourselves as being the first white Americans to say that we would rather be under the protection of Huey Newton's guns than J. Edgar Hoover's guns.

Cleaver: That's why it's so important – it's even historic – it places a great responsibility upon us to make it work. . . . It is precisely to (Tim's constituency) that I address myself.

It is precisely those people who are in a position, and who compose the numbers that we look forward to deliver a very powerful and crippling blow against the system of oppresion in Babylon. And it is precisely for that reason that they must move, because the way they are dealing with it now is ultimately passive.

It rejects the system, it condemns the system, but it does not physically demolish the system. And these people are among the army of oppressed people inside the United States who must themselves break the chains that bind them.

Cleaver is serious. He doesn't like fucking around.

Tim is a brother – he is obviously not faultless.

His prestige fucked him up. Nevertheless we are confident that he will be an asset to our cause – already he had changed a lot of us.

Because of his particular literary, cultural talents, he will hopefully work in that vein, disseminating information (as Cleaver suggests), spreading revolutionary kharma.

But time will tell whether he will prove his seriousness as a revolutionary, or become simply court jester (and not the high priest) of the revolution.

INSIDE DOPE

Greetings all you crazies out there in the Ozone. Things are still pretty high in Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor even though the Federal Narcotics Bureau claims they have dried up the supply of dope coming into Michigan. (It seems that the FBI claims to have seized over 13 million dollars worth of drugs altogether, which is weird because it has little or no effect on the quantity or quality of drugs in our community.) In Ypsilanti alone there seems to be an abundant 300 lbs. of dope floating around. The PTA approximates that over 400 lbs. of dope are smoked each weekend in the Ypsilanti-Ann Arbor area, when it comes down to it, that's about 1 lid between 4 people every weekend--that's alot of high people!!

In a recent Gallup poll, 42% of all college students smoke marijuana and 14% use LSD and other psychedelics. The estimate is probably way off considering the pigs that take the surveys and make up the surveys.

A word of advice, Harold and his lackeys are everywhere and brothers and sisters in the dorms should be careful where they stash dope. Remember: Don't keep more than you can eat and eat what you keep.

The Krazed Kulprit is looking forward to hearing from all you crazies, so if you've got any questions, write:

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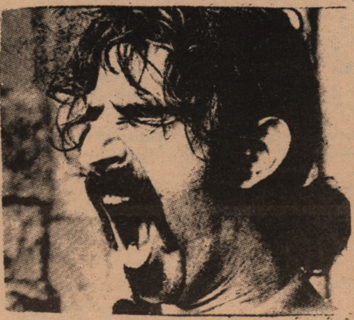
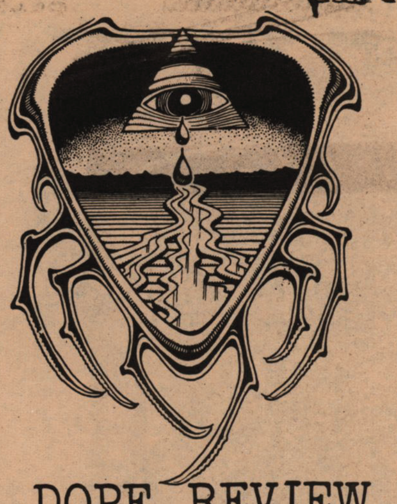
Don't Carry More Than You Can Eat





DOPE REVIEW

Hash

Good red Lebanese! Even though its kind of scarce lately! $75/ounce $5 for a gram

Qualuids

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Marijuana

Reefer may seem scarce lately, but like every spring, there's a dry spell while dope crops are being harbested in Mexico. Look forward to plenty of good tokes in the coming weeks. $115-135/lb. $10-12/lid

GET HIGH!!!

Acid

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Psilocybin

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Ozone Special of the Week

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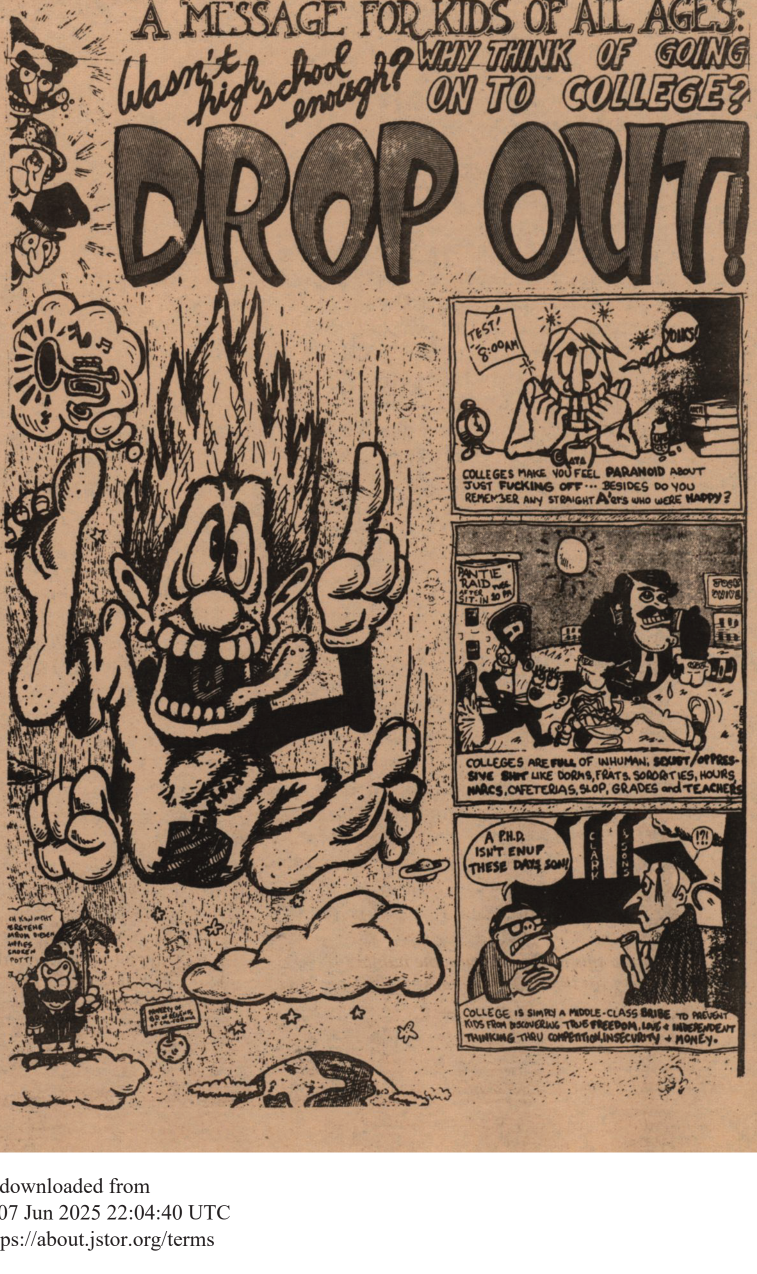
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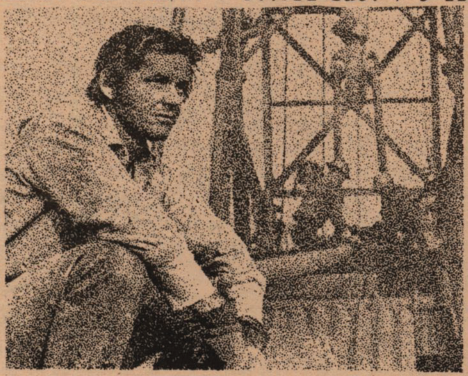
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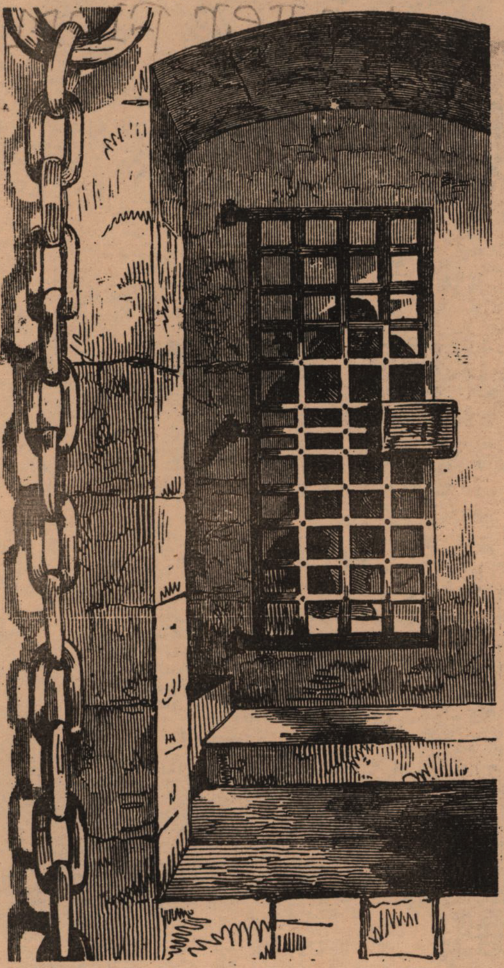

The following letter was written to Fay Stender, lawyer for the Soledad Brothers, by William Thomason, a white prisoner at Soledad. This and other letters from prisoners are collected in a pamphlet about the conditions at Soledad. It is put out by the Soledad Brothers Defense Committee, P.O. Box 31306 San Francisco, California 94131. They need lots of bread for the trials so any contributions are welcome.

Dear Mrs. Stender:

It is my reflection that certain people are making an honest effort to create better conditions within the total prison establishment in the State of California. This effort has been centered around the injustices perpetrated against blacks within the prison system. Yet this is only one side of the coin. What of the injustices committed against ignorant whites of the poor class of people who enter prison, only to be inclulcated with the various propaganda of racism and Nazism by prison guards who maintain, sustain by feeding literature and support (even weapons) to the same.

Until here recently, I was buried in the nebulous shadows of such virulent diatribe. My first lesson came from a prison guard who started me on the way saying "Boy, you ain't a man until you done stuck a nigger," a fictional example but too close to the truth, and how hard we all struggle to be men, or what we feel that man should be like. For a time I lived suspended in the full current of "prison Nazism," but at the expense of a constant thought lurking within my human confine that I had been pushed beyond the antics of self-control, and was being swept away violently by the hand of prison officials against people: warm, thinking, talking human beings as myself, and all this really against my immediate will.

One day I decided to regain possession of my own mind and become responsible for my own thoughts and actions. I left the Nazi "tip" and acquired new friends, some of which are black. For this change, this rebellion against the racist demagogues of the prisons, I was hounded by them, guards (certain) demanded I remove the Nazi swastikas tattooed on my body or my death would be arranged. I left it on in defiance of them all. When it became obvious that my stand to be self-assertive was complete and void of fear, with an irrelevant attitude towards their intimidation set against me, prison officials removed me from the main line and rehoused me in "O" Wing, with a "program " in fear that my stand would influence other misled poor whites to throw off the shackles of racist orientation and seek unity and friend-

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Soledad is a Spanish word that means loneliness, a fitting name for a prison. Soledad Prison in California is a hell-hole worse than most people's wildest nightmares. The prison authorities, using the racism of white prisoners, have made it a place where the black and brown revolutionaries who crowd the dungeons of America are to be broken. Max Row at Soledad is a place where men are kept in 5' x 8' cement and steel cages, where black men live in constant fear of death at the hands of racist guards and Nazi prisoners.

On January 13, 1970 a new exercise yard was opened for the Max Row prisoners at Soledad. Seven black prisoners and eight white prisoners were sent out into the yard that day. This was unusual, because black and white prisoners usually have separate exercise periods to avoid fights. Among the black prisoners in the yard at that time were W. L. Nolen, Cleveland Edwards, and Earl Satcher, 3 black revolutionaries who were looked upon as leaders by other blacks at the prison. As soon as the prisoners were let into the yard, a fistfight started. An expert marksman opened fire and shot Nolen, Williams, and Alvin Miller, a black man that closely resembled Earl Satcher. Nolen and Williams died immediately. Miller bled to death because the guards refused to take him to the hospital.

At the grand jury investigation into the killings, only white prisoners testified. On January 16 the verdict of "justifiable homicide" was announced. A few minutes later a guard was thrown 3 stories to his death in "Y" Wing.

The inmates of "Y" Wing were then locked up for 3 days, threatened with murder charges, and bribed with promises of early parole to get them to cooperate with the pigs. When this was over George Jackson, John Cluchette, and Fleeta Drumgo, 3 black revolutionaries, were charged with murder. According to California laws, any prisoners serving life sentences who kill somebody other than a prisoner get a mandatory death penalty. George Jackson is serving 1 year to life for a $70 gas station robbery. So far he has spent 10 years in the slam on that charge.

The three Soledad Brothers were kept in isolation and their mail was cut off. Finally John Cluchette had a note smuggled to his parents. It said "Help! Life in danger." Cluchette's parents contacted Fay Stender, a white woman who is one of the best movement lawyers in the country. The Soledad Brothers Defense Committee, of which Angela Davis is chairwoman, was formed to coordinate defense efforts. The Soledad Brothers Defense Committee organized demonstrations on the outside, raised money for legal defense, and began organizing in the prison itself. Seven black prisoners were thrown in the hole for organizing with the Committee. Four white prisoners who refused to take part in a plot to kill George Jackson were charged with assaulting a guard. They have been acquitted.

On July 22, 1970 another guard was ofund stabbed to death. Seven black men, Jesse Phillips, Walter Watson, Jimmy James, O. C. Allen, Jimmy Wagner, Roosevelt Williams, Alfred Dunn, and Walter Watson were thrown in the hold and charged with murder. Notices were posted in the prison offering early parole and monetary rewards to any prisoners who testified against the seven. Recently the pigs dropped charges against four of them, leaving Phillips. Wagner, and Williams to face murder charges. Their lawyer, Patrick Hallinan, said after the charges were dropped: "I think the DA was withdrawing to a smaller perimeter because his ramparts were falling in the moat. This case stunk six weeks ago and it stunk last week." He has been having difficulty --as has Fay Stender--getting witnesses for the defense because prison officials have had a policy of trying to keep them from interviewing prisoners and of making threats against those who testify for the defense.

On August 7, 1970 Jonathan Jackson, the 17-year-old brother of George Jackson, raided a courtroom at San Rafael, gave guns to three black prisoners form San Quentin, and tried to kidnap the judge and DA. As he left the courtroom he said "Free the Soledad Brothers by 12:30." He and two of the prisoners, along with the DA and the judge, were killed by pigs who opened fire as he tried to drive away in a van. Ruchell Magee, the lone survivor, is now on trial for murder, kidnap, and conspiracy with Angela Davis, who is accused of supplying the guns for the action.

In the past few months five guards have been stabbed in "O" Wing --the isolation wing--at Soledad. So far 2 men have been indicted for an attack in which 2 guards were stabbed but not killed. The men are Edward Whiteside, who is black, and Raymond Marquez, a 22-year-old Chicano who is doing life for second degree murder.

ship with blacks.

Yes, Mrs. Stender, my own situation may hopefully improve. But only were I to turn back to that fog where I, like other poor whites, become tools to be wielded in the hands of prison officials. I can't turn back, I won't turn back. I see my job (thanks to daily conversations with Brother Earl Satcher) as exerting every ounce of strength in me to elevate the political consciousness of my poor white brothers in an effort to save them from the pitfalls of prison entrapment and show them that where one man is denied freedom so are all men; that justice must fall like an acorn from a tree, in one straight line, and that the struggle of blacks and Chicanos is the struggle to free all people from the yoke of imperialist modern slavery.

But my point in writing is: Other whites will become interested, and seek the antics of the left, or the comradeship of blacks and Chicanos who are politically aware, and shall be intimidated and trumped on for doing so. Because people are left unaware of the conditions and there's no help to mitigate the effects of such intimidation. Thus, my situation won't improve I'm sure, but will only get worse. Yet when I see a prisoner as Satcher, or Wagner, and others who are black stand against the calculated repression and sufferage perpetrated against them, yet smiling but determined to win, it gives me that added courage to push on ahead, learning more about the "people" and teaching what I'm able, to the few whites that will listen.

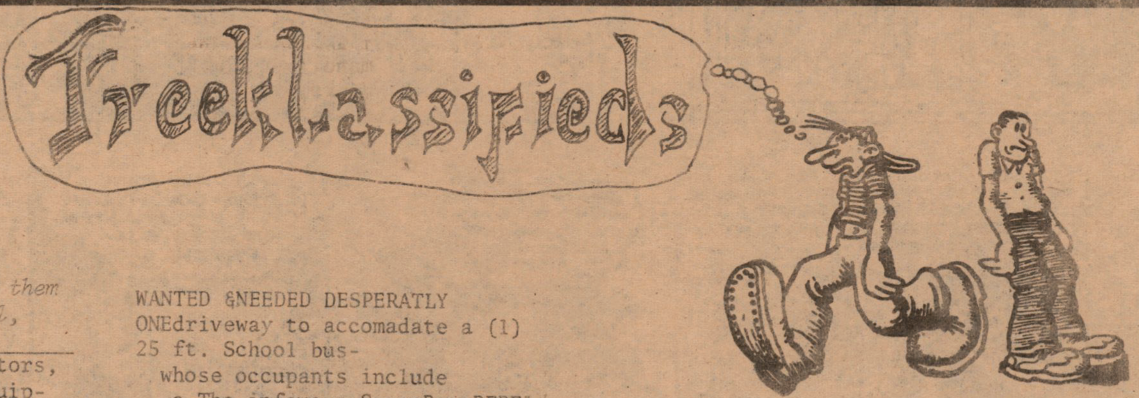
Sincerely,
William B. Thomason
B 20728

Letter from George Jackson: Soledad Brother

Take an innocent con out of this general population setting and bring him to any part of O Wing (of which Max Row is a part—the worst part). He will be cuffed, chained, belted, pressured by the police who think that every convict should be an informer, he will be pressured by the white cons to join their racist brand of politics. Three weeks is enough. The strongest hold out no more than a couple of weeks.

It destroys the logical processes of the mind, a man's thoughts become completely disorganized. The noise, madness streaming from every throat, frustrated sounds from the walls, the steel trays, the iron beds bolted to the wall, the hollow sounds from a cast iron sink or toilet.

The smells, the human waste thrown at us, unwashed bodies, the rotten food. When a white con leaves here he's ruined for life, and no Black leaves Max Row walking. Either he leaves on the meat wagon or he leaves crawling licking at the pig's feet.



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YOU leave the world behind
encompassed by Neptune's liquid cloak
Neptune watches over your mind
As you visit his watery domain
while I sit in my room
Sad that I shall no longer
Visit Neptune's rhelm
But glad still that another will
Idon't really want to sell my
scub- equipment, BUT I MUST.
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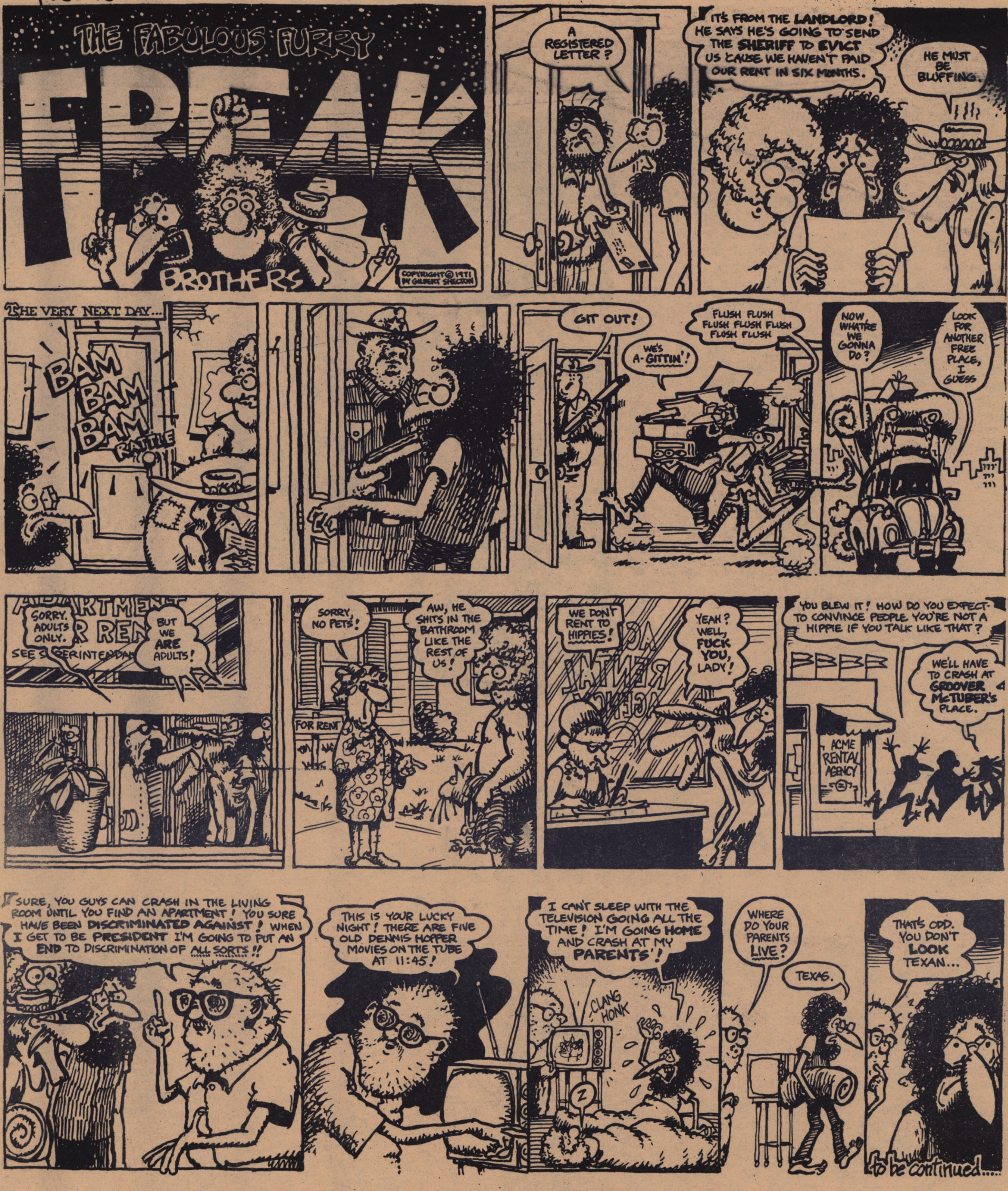
THE FABULOUS FURRY
FREAK
BROTHERS
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A REGISTERED LETTER?
IT'S FROM THE LANDLORD! HE SAYS HE'S GOING TO SEND THE SHERIFF TO EVICT US 'CAUSE WE HAVEN'T PAID OUR RENT IN SIX MONTHS.
HE MUST BE BLUFFING.
THE VERY NEXT DAY...
BAM BAM BAM
RATTLE
GIT OUT!
WE'S A-GITTIN'!
FLUSH FLUSH FLUSH FLUSH FLUSH FLUSH FLUSH
NOW, WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?
LOOK FOR ANOTHER FREE PLACE, I GUESS
APARTMENT FOR RENT SEE SUPERINTENDANT
SORRY. ADULTS ONLY.
BUT WE ARE ADULTS!
SORRY, NO PETS!
AW, HE SHITS IN THE BATHROOM LIKE THE REST OF US!
FOR RENT
WE DON'T RENT TO HIPPIES!
ACME RENTAL AGENCY
YEAH? WELL, FUCK YOU, LADY!
YOU BLEW IT! HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO CONVINCE PEOPLE YOU'RE NOT A HIPPIE IF YOU TALK LIKE THAT?
WE'LL HAVE TO CRASH AT GROOVER McTUBER'S PLACE.
ACME RENTAL AGENCY
SURE, YOU GUYS CAN CRASH IN THE LIVING ROOM UNTIL YOU FIND AN APARTMENT! YOU SURE HAVE BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST! WHEN I GET TO BE PRESIDENT I'M GOING TO PUT AN END TO DISCRIMINATION OF ALL SORTS!!
THIS IS YOUR LUCKY NIGHT! THERE ARE FIVE OLD DENNIS HOPPER MOVIES ON THE TUBE AT 11:45!
I CAN'T SLEEP WITH THE TELEVISION GOING ALL THE TIME! I'M GOING HOME AND CRASH AT MY PARENTS'!
CLANG HONK
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WHERE DO YOUR PARENTS LIVE?
TEXAS.
THAT'S ODD. YOU DON'T LOOK TEXAN...
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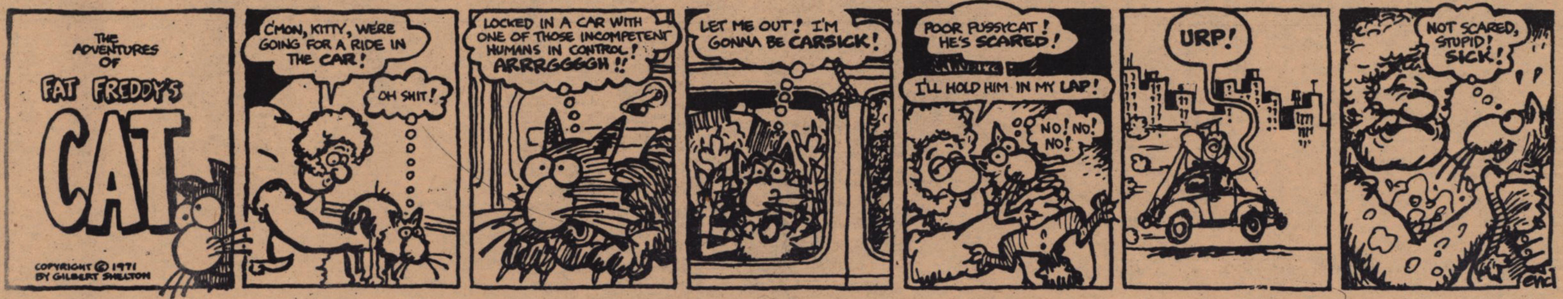
THE ADVENTURES OF
FAT FREDDY'S
CAT
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C'MON, KITTY, WE'RE GOING FOR A RIDE IN THE CAR!
OH SHIT!
LOCKED IN A CAR WITH ONE OF THOSE INCOMPETENT HUMANS IN CONTROL! ARRRGGGGH!!
LET ME OUT! I'M GONNA BE CARSICK!
POOR PUSSYCAT! HE'S SCARED!
I'LL HOLD HIM IN MY LAP!
NO! NO! NO!
URP!
NOT SCARED, STUPID! SICK!
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FREAKMAIL

SEND TO:
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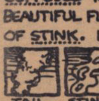
Dear Freaks,

In the restaurant around the corner from our place there is a cat that looks just like Fat Freddy's Cat. It is a very stupid cat and we think it is very funny because it is always in heat. Sometimes when we are very stoned, we feel it rubbing up against our leg, and we laugh and laugh. But what we want is for you to please bring back the cloud of stink that comes out of Fat Freddy's Cat's ass, because that is one of the funniest things about Fat Freddy's Cat. Could you do that some times?

Dean Latimer & Yossarrian
New York, N.Y.

YOU DISGUSTING PERVERTS, THAT IS SUPPOSED TO BE FAT FREDDY'S CAT'S BEAUTIFUL FLUFFY TAIL, NOT A CLOUD OF STINK. IN COMIC STRIPS, STINK IS USUALLY REPRESENTED BY WAVY LINES OR AS IN DIAGRAM, LEFT.



Dear Freaks,

After trying many times to grow some grass from seeds out of individual lids, we finally succeeded in gettin' one little sprout growin' out of an ivy planter. To aid in its growth, the plant was placed under a fluorescent lamp (good U-V rays). One night just after the "screamin' blind munchies" we went to the Kitchen to do some food. Just as we rounded the corner, the household cat, Boots, was chowin' down on the precious little 2-inch sprout. It never grew back, but we really couldn't be pissed—if Boots wants to turn on, who are we to interfere? Anyway, that night we had to go score some "Kitty Krunchies" 'cause the cat was makin' so much noise scratchin' at her breakfast bowl!

F.T. Abernathy
Edgewood Arsenal, Md.

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Dear Freaks,

In the middle of December I sent a check for 65¢ to Rip Off Press for a copy of "The Collected Freak Brothers" and I still haven't received anything. What's happening?

Donna Ruchomes, Long Beach, Ca.

WELL, DONNA, IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN IN SO LITTLE SPACE, BUT...

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